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Crosswalk victim recovering at home

By JENNIFER ROGERS
News editor

Lance Watt's life hasn't been the same since he decided to cross the street on Nov. 2. Watt was hit by a car when he was trying to cross Lancaster Avenue.

Watt, 23, said he was going from the Lancaster Parking Lot toward campus when he was hit and doesn't remember anything about the accident. Watt said he was in the crosswalk when he was hit.

He said he was thankful he doesn't recall many of the details surrounding the accident, "so I don't have to keep reliving it."

Watt's injuries from the accident included a leg broken in three places, a major concussion and a large cut around his head, which was treated with stitches. Watt said his leg injury left him with a rod and four pins that will be in his leg permanently.

"I've got all kinds of scrapes and

bruises," Watt said. He added that he still pulls shards of glass out of his hands at times.

"It's looking a lot better now than it was," Watt said.

Watt said doctors aren't sure how permanent his injuries will be, but that he goes back to orthopedic doctors and will have more x-rays taken later this month. Even though some injuries persist, Watt said he's healed a lot since the accident.

"It's gotten a lot better now,"

Watt said. "I can use my left hand now, too."

Watt said his medical expenses total at least \$25,000, and he expects that figure to rise.

Watt said he wants to return to his classes at Eastern as soon as possible.

"I want to try to come back next semester," Watt said. He said that his professors have been helpful since the accident.

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Lance Watt, Eastern student hit in crosswalk



Watt is healing at his home in Lexington.

Grads honored Dec. 16

By JESSICA GRIFFIN
Staff writer

On Dec. 16, 953 Eastern students will reach a milestone in their lives: graduation. The fall 2000 commencement will be held at 10 a.m. in Alumni Coliseum for all graduate and undergraduate students graduating this semester.

Michael Marsden, provost and vice president for academic affairs, said this year's guest speaker will be Kentucky Supreme Court Justice Ernest Keller. Not only will Keller be speaking, but he will also be getting an undergraduate degree.

Keller has a law degree, but never received an undergraduate degree from Eastern when he attended in the 1960s. After three years of school at Eastern, he earned his law degree from the University of Kentucky. He will be awarded his degree because of avid support of Eastern.

"It is a wonderful thing that he values his Eastern Kentucky University education," Marsden said. "It is a pleasure for us, as an institution, to recognize his accomplishments."

Also during the ceremony, NASA representative John Connolly will present an Eastern flag that was taken into space when Eastern's robotics team won a national championship last year. If all goes as planned, the robot built by the team will bring the flag onstage for the presentation. Team members signed the flag before it was sent on a space shuttle and got to watch the shuttle's launch.

Marsden said the student speaker for the commencement had not been chosen yet. He said the final decision would be made on Friday, by the latest.

"Student speakers always do a wonderful job of representing their classmates," Marsden said.

After the ceremony, individual receptions will be held in the Keen Johnson Building for each department.



Ernest Keller will speak at graduation Dec. 16.

Dinner fit for a King



Demetriace Moore/Progress

Students took the community back to the past at the annual Madrigal Dinner held last weekend. Pictured from left are director Dan Duncan, Joy Young, Natalie Berry and Brandi Stewart, who entertained the crowd.



Kevin Isaacs plays for the crowd during the 30th annual Madrigal Dinner held last weekend.

Eastern held its 30th annual Madrigal Dinner over the weekend. The dinner is considered a kick off to the holiday season.

The event consisted of a six-course meal and live entertainment, as 19 students took patrons back to the 16th century through music and vocals.

Those who attended the event were treated to a regal gala complete with peasant servants and a court jester.

Each course of the meal was announced with the sounding of trumpets and a colorful description of the upcoming dish. Midway through the evening, the nobility seated in the front of the auditorium descended upon the commoners to treat them to caroling of various seasonal tunes.

A harpsichord, flute, fanfare trumpet and a recorder ensemble accompanied the singers' performance.

Kustra appeared in episode of 'Early Edition'

By ANDREW KERSEY
Assistant Accent editor

Aside from being Eastern's president, and a former lieutenant governor, Robert Kustra has even tried his hand at acting when he made an appearance in a CBS produced television show.

Although he wasn't offered a full-time acting job by CBS, Kustra said the experience left him with a "real sense of respect and admiration for actors and actresses." It was back in 1998; Kustra was still the lieutenant governor of Illinois, when a friend of his, who ran the film office in Chicago, approached him with the offer of a small part in the (now discontinued) show, "Early Edition." Kustra accepted the part to play a Chicago dignitary, and read three lines at the beginning of the episode.

Some would be nervous about being in a nationally televised show, but Kustra said his experience at drama in high school and his political career gave him confidence to say the lines concisely. The only thing that made him leery was the lack of preparation.

"I was a little apprehensive going into it. I was given

"In a way I was playing myself — a public official, and that's a pretty easy role for me to play."

Robert Kustra, president of Eastern

no briefing information whatsoever. I was just told to be there and I got to read the lines a bit before taping started. In a way I was playing myself — a public official, and that's a pretty easy role for me to play," Kustra said.

"Early Edition," owned by Tri-Star television, was about a man named Gary Hobson who realizes he has the power to change the future by receiving the Chicago Sun-Times on his doorstep a day before it's supposed to arrive. Each episode is a new adventure for Hobson, played by Kyle Chandler, as he attempts to help people

before bad fortune befalls them.

Kustra read his three lines in the 35th episode of the show "Romancing the Throne," which aired Jan. 17, 1998.

He, a mix of city and county politicians, a museum director, an alderman and other prominent people played officials who greeted a princess from another country as she arrived in Chicago.

Kustra, playing the highest-ranking official of the group, welcomed the princess to the city and asked her how her father was doing. Kustra said the director gave the other extras strict instructions not to speak.

"The other guys were specifically told not to speak because every person who speaks is entitled to a royalty check. They were asked only to nod and smile," he said.

Since Kustra was the only one of the group to speak lines, he was required to join the Screen Actors Guild and accepted three checks from the show totaling approximately \$700.

Kustra said that he isn't planning on an acting career, but expressed that acting and directing are very elaborate skills. He also said he met a lot of interesting people

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WEATHER

TODAY:

Hi: 33
Low: 28
Conditions: Mostly Cloudy

FRI: Snow Showers
SAT: Partly Cloudy
SUN: Partly Cloudy

REMINDERS

■ The ACT will be given at 8 a.m. Saturday in the Combs Building.
■ Finals begin Monday.
■ Residence halls close at 6 p.m. Dec. 16.

New vp will have finger on financial pulse

STORIES BY JENNIFER ROGERS
News editor

Eastern's new Vice President for Financial Affairs, Ken Johnston, has been in his office since Nov. 13. But he's not in a hurry to make any sudden moves in his new role as the head of university finances.

"It's too early to really talk about changes," Johnston said. "I'm still looking at how things are done."

Johnston said he was learning about Eastern's structure in hopes of deciding what was financially best for the university. He said that what has worked in the past at other universities might not be the best situation for Eastern.

Johnston said the most important aspects of his job would be monitoring the university financial situation and providing advice to the president and other administrators on financial questions.

He also said that he would enjoy working with the people on Eastern's campus.

"The thing I hope will be apparent is the fact that I'm service-oriented," Johnston said. "I hope I'll be found to be open."

Johnston comes to Eastern after an early career as a CPA and years of work at Auburn University and Auburn-Montgomery. He said the move to Eastern presented some welcome

changes for him.

"I like being back on a residential campus," Johnston said. He added that he would enjoy the intercollegiate athletics and the interaction between Richmond, a "small college town," and the university itself.

Johnston said another change would be the weather.

"I enjoy the climate," Johnston said. "In Montgomery, we close everything down when it threatens snow."

Johnston said the younger of his two daughters, ages 16 and 13, had only seen snow three times.

But there are other aspects of Kentucky life that he hasn't gotten to experience in the three and a half weeks he's been on Eastern's campus.

"Quite frankly, I've gone home both weekends," Johnston said.

Johnston said during those drives home, he gets to enjoy one of his hobbies, listening to books on tape and reading in his spare time.

"I've been reading a book on the history of Kentucky, trying to get acclimated to where I am," Johnston said.

Johnston said he also likes to walk during his free time.

"I walk every morning," he said. "We were out west this summer and I took an all-day walk." Johnston said he enjoyed walking because it allowed him to spend time in nature.



Ken Johnston joined Eastern's staff as the new vice president of financial affairs Nov. 13. Johnston moved into Doug Whitlock's old office.

Vice President Whitlock moves offices to accommodate Johnston

New Vice President for Financial Affairs Ken Johnston is not the only administrator to have a new office. When Johnston was hired, Vice President for Administrative Affairs and Finance Doug Whitlock gave up his office and moved to another one.

Johnston is using Whitlock's old office in Coates 103. Whitlock moved to Coates 214 just before Johnston arrived on Nov. 13.

Whitlock said he and President Robert Kustra decided that Johnston should use Whitlock's office. Whitlock said the office would make Johnston's job of learning the university system a little easier.

Johnston also kept Whitlock's administrative assistant, Mary Davis, and Whitlock got a new secretary, Dreidre Adams, a senior secretary in the provost and academic affairs office.

Whitlock also said that although he had been a finalist for positions at other universities, he was not a finalist now. Whitlock said he would be happy to retire as an Eastern employee.

"If the underlying question here is, 'Is Doug Whitlock happy at Eastern?' the answer is yes," Whitlock said.

"Anybody looks at opportunities at other places," Whitlock said.



Whitlock is vice president for administration and finance.

Campus offers stress relief during final exams week

BY AMY MARKSBERRY
Staff writer

Your time is limited, you feel like nothing is going your way and it's like the walls of sanity are caving in around you. You may be experiencing stress.

Stress is any kind of change that we undergo and the wear and tear of our bodies as we react to that change. College students deal with many stressful issues.

College students stress over things such as academic performance, relationships and illness.

Different people have their own way of dealing with stress.

"During finals, I get away from stress, by taking a bath, or a nap," said Beth Bode, a sophomore.

Freshman Erin Heimbrock

said she deals with stress by "taking a break away from everything and going shopping, which helps her to relax."

A perfect family celebration, holiday bills or crowded social calendars are some things that can make dealing with the holidays unbearable.

Students who do not have their own way of dealing with stress, can make an appointment at the Counseling Center, located in Weaver 202, or can call 622-1303 to make an appointment to have a trained professional help.

The Counseling Center also offers a course that is designed to help students decide on a major or help them with other decisions.

The Counseling Center is open

Monday through Thursday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Fridays from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Students needing help with managing test anxiety and Test-Taking Tips can get on Eastern's Counseling Center Web site at www.counseling.eku.edu.

The Office of Student Affairs will also sponsor some stress-reducing activities on Dec. 12. They will serve fruits and drinks from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Powell Building lobby. Massage therapists will also be available from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Herndon Lounge in the Powell Building.

For more information contact the Office of Student Affairs or Dee Cockrille at 622-2642.

Final exam schedule

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8 - 10 a.m. (8 a.m. MWF classes)	8 - 10 a.m. (8 a.m. TR classes)	8 - 10 a.m. (MAT 107, 124)	8 - 10 a.m. (9:30 a.m. TR classes)	8 - 10 a.m. (9:05 a.m. MWF classes)
10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. (12:20 p.m. MWF classes)	10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. (11 a.m. TR classes)	10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. (10:10 a.m. MWF classes)	10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. (12:30 p.m. TR classes)	10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. (11:15 a.m. MWF classes)
1-3 p.m. (ENG 090, 095)	1-3 p.m. (2 p.m. TR classes)	1-3 p.m. (2:30 p.m. MWF classes)	1-3 p.m. (MAT 095, CHE 112)	1-3 p.m. (3:35 p.m. MWF classes)
3:30 - 5:30 p.m. (ACC 201, 202)	3:30 - 5:30 p.m. (CHE 111, MAT 090)	3:30 - 5:30 p.m. (4:40 p.m. MWF classes)	3:30 - 5:30 p.m. (3:30 p.m. TR classes)	3:30 - 5:30 p.m. (1:25 p.m. MWF classes)
6 - 8 p.m. (Monday evening classes)	6 - 8 p.m. (Tuesday evening classes)	6 - 8 p.m. (Wednesday evening classes)	6 - 8 p.m. (Thursday evening classes)	

All Saturday classes will have their finals from 9:15 - 11:15 a.m. Dec. 16.

If an evening class meets more than once per week, the final will be held on the evening of the first class meeting of the week.

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Trash Talk

Eastern has the second best recycling program in Kentucky. University of Kentucky leads state supported colleges and universities.

Material Recycled		Kentucky Community & Technical College System	Eastern Kentucky University	Kentucky State University	Morehead State University	Murray State University	Northern Kentucky University	University of Kentucky	University of Louisville	Western Kentucky University
Core Materials	High Grade Office Paper	33,398	332,253	24,084	121,745	103,726	48,355	1,496,320	158,420	99,280
	Cardboard	41,822	174,197	32,132	98,150	92,831	47,792	532,180	150,630	79,280
	Aluminum	7,795	2,880	1,727	10,240			5,284	25,173	211
Other Material	Other Paper (books, newspapers, magazines, telephone books)		80,848		71,820	124,951	32,173		11,000	29,171
	Scrap Metal & White Goods	173,822	131,948		35,552	41,410	10,180	133,340	101,350	9,740
	Glass		326		596					
	Wood		3,708		8,594	81,000		89,940		
	Plastic (PET, HDPE, & others)		755		410			3,020		
	Petroleum Products, Freon, Antifreeze		300		1,708	2,385		20,500		
	Tires				300 ea	120 ea				
	Compost				50,000			310,020	10,000	
	Fly ash								899,600	
	Miscellaneous				1,586	86,153				

SOURCE: 1999 Summary of Recycling Activities for Ky. State Supported Colleges and Universities

Chart submitted/Progress

RECYCLING: SGA addresses concerns

From The Front

things recycled.

Williams said faculty and staff make the decisions of what should be recycled.

"Bulk things such as paper, start with each individual faculty or staff member," Williams said. Williams added faculty and staff members make the decision to decide what items should be recycled and dispose of them in a blue recycling bin.

"Custodians empty those and put them in a larger bin," Williams said. "My men collect each day and items are sorted into office paper, cardboard and mixed paper."

Williams said some items have to be shredded for security reasons. This includes any paper or documents with social security numbers, etc.

According to Williams, once items are sorted, they are taken to the Madison County Recycling Center.

Williams said there are several sizes of recycling

bins, but approximately 1,000 small trash can size containers to dispose of recyclables. Williams said there are also orange recycle bins in some of the residence halls on campus in which items such as pizza boxes are recycled.

Eastern is working with the city/county in a joint effort to implement a curbside collection for family housing (Brockton apartments) and Vickers Village which will hopefully be implemented next year, said Williams.

Stephen Reed, ethics chair of the Student Government Association, said he became involved and interested in Eastern's recycling program after SGA held a town hall meeting Sept. 26 to address students concerns with issues on campus.

"There was some confusion as to where recycled items go," Reed said. Reed added that Ritchie Rednour, SGA president, asked Reed's committee to look into the recycling program to see if anything needed to be done.

Reed said students should be knowledgeable of what can be recycled and how to recycle.

"I feel ECU is doing a great job," Reed said. "But I'm sure there's room for improvement."

Reed said the issue of making students aware of recycling was brought up in a recent senate meeting, but no action has been taken at this point.

"It's something we could look into, but haven't at the moment," Reed said.

Senate passes proposal, shared faculty positions

BY JENNIFER ROGERS

News editor

In its last meeting of the semester, Eastern's Faculty Senate passed a proposal to establish shared faculty positions. The proposal allows two faculty members to share a single faculty position.

Under the proposal, the faculty members must have their request for an appointment evaluated and recommended by the faculty and chair of the department. Salaries for the position will be figured based on the faculty member's base salary multiplied by the percentage of the position they share.

In addition, faculty members sharing a position will retain full voting rights as a faculty member.

The Senate also passed proposals from the Council on Academic Affairs concerning Eastern's cur-

riculum. The proposals change degree requirements in nine academic departments.

The Senate also heard a report from its Committee on the Budget. Senator Richard Rink said the committee would work with new Vice President for Financial Affairs Ken Johnston, who has already met with the committee.

"Our primary concern right now is a shortfall in the budget," Rink said.

Senate President John Taylor said a \$1.1 million shortfall is being covered partially by \$600,000 from Eastern's contingency fund.

Eastern President Robert Kustra said in his report to the Senate that Eastern would be looking at changing benchmark institutions. He said the Council on Postsecondary Education

allowed the university to drop five of its benchmarks and pick up five new ones.

Kustra said that the changes might help Eastern move its benchmarks closer to Western Kentucky University's. The two institutions share only one-half of its benchmarks now.

Kustra said a change in benchmarks would make comparing the already-similar institutions easier in vital categories.

"Their enrollment went up this past fall, ours went down considerably," Kustra said. He added that Western had outperformed Eastern "on a couple of fronts." Kustra said a change in benchmarks might help to improve funding.

"It seems obvious to all presidents around the table that some universities were treated unfairly," Kustra said.

SGA elects speaker pro tem, says goodbye to Humphrey

BY JENNIFER ROGERS

News editor

During a semester-ending meeting with an emotional finale, the Student Government Association said goodbye to and replaced one of its most visible members Tuesday.

The meeting was the last for Senate Vice President Jessica Humphrey, who announced her resignation last week. Humphrey is leaving the Senate, because she plans to graduate.

Senate members presented Humphrey with a large cake after the meeting.

In her final address to the Senate, Humphrey thanked the senators for their support during the semester.

"We can't do it without you guys," Humphrey said, "and we need you more than you know."

Humphrey's vice presidential seat was handed over to Nick

"You have to make sure you are a person of very high character..."

Kara Tatum, chair of committee for student rights

Bertram, who had served as Senate speaker pro tem.

Bertram's vacated position was replaced when Senator Cary King was elected by secret ballot. King is a construction management major from Paris.

He said his opportunities and

past leadership roles had prepared him for the job.

"And I know parliamentary procedure, if that ever comes into question," King said.

Senator Bill Yarnell, who spoke in King's favor before the election, said King was capable of filling the speaker's duties.

"He's just now done as president of the Inter-Fraternity Council, so his time is going to be freed up," Yarnell said.

Kara Tatum, chair of the Committee for Student Rights, said King's personality made him able to lead.

"You have to make sure you are a person of very high character, and if you know Cary King, you know he has character," Tatum said.

Other candidates for the position included Lee Chandler, a freshman senator, and Craig Andersen, a junior senator.

still running the episode."

Kustra said that his experience on "Early Edition" is one he won't forget, even though it isn't the most important thing he has ever done.

"It was a nice experience. A very cultural experience. It gave me a look at one of the most important mediums in today's society. It was exciting, but a fleeting moment as well. I got a lot more excited about Gen. Powell visiting my office," Kustra said.



Kustra appeared in one episode of "Early Edition."

KUSTRA: Paid \$700 for appearance

From The Front

while he was lieutenant governor. During his career in Illinois, Kustra had a chance to see scenes on location in Chicago taped from the popular TV show, "ER," and the movie, "Michael," starring John Travolta.

"I met some really fascinating people. They were very impressive, cosmopolitan and used their craft very well," Kustra said.

Since the show originally aired, a few reruns have been played on the Fox network, and

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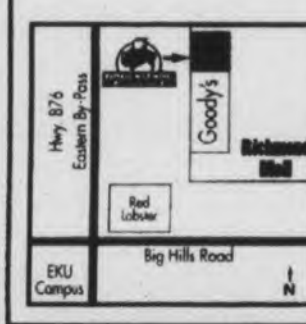
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► Police Beat: Nov. 25 - Dec. 1

Compiled by Jennifer Rogers and Jennifer Mullins

The following reports have been filed with Eastern's Division of Public Safety.

Dec. 1
Virgil Edwards reported an assault in Keene Hall.

Nov. 30
A Richmond resident reported incidents of harassment.

Gregory Scott Barnett, 20, Nicholasville, was arrested and charged with alcohol intoxication, refusal to submit to a breath test and speeding.

Nick Bertram reported that someone had thrown eggs on a resident in Clay Hall.

Jason Lewis reported the theft of a wallet and checkbook from his room in Commonwealth Hall.

Allison Parks reported the theft of a mail package from Todd Hall.

An unknown person reported that a car in the Brockton Lot was being vandalized.

David Sturm, 18, Preston Spring, was charged with drinking alcohol in a public place.

Renard Christopher Frazier, 20, Potomac, Md., was charged with drinking alcohol in a public place.

Nov. 29
Jennifer Haughey reported someone had stolen items from her apartment.

Jaidante Burton reported he had several compact discs stolen.

An Eastern employee reported receiving harassing phone calls.

Nov. 28
Christopher Berezna reported the theft of \$1,114 in cash and a Hand Spring Visor computer from his room in Palmer Hall.

Michael Canon, 19, Commonwealth Hall, was arrested and charged with alcohol intoxication.

Nov. 26
Martin Wayne Moore, 25, Whick, was arrested and charged with operating on a suspended license and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Nov. 25
Garney Smith reported tools stolen from a university vehicle.

The following reports, which appeared in "Police Beat," have been resolved in Madison County District Court.

Aug. 6
Charles L. Ovington, 20, Monticello, was arrested and charged with disregarding traffic control devices, first degree driving under the influence and criminal possession of a forged instrument. He was found guilty and sentenced to one day in jail.

Aug. 17
Robert Louis Thompson Jr., 21, Indianapolis, Ind., was arrested and charged with receiving stolen property and operating a motor vehicle on a suspended license. On Aug. 23, the charge of receiving stolen property was amended to a charge of unlawful operation of a motor vehicle and the charge of operating on a suspended license was amended to license not in possession. Thompson was sentenced to 12 days in jail with an 11-day conditional discharge. He was also fined \$100.

Aug. 18
Thomas E. Gilmore, 18, Louisville, was arrested and charged with driving under the influence. On Oct. 23, Gilmore was charged with an amended down charge of an operating a motor vehicle under the influence under the age of 21. He was found guilty and given a \$100 fine.

Brian W. Banholzer, 22, New Jersey, was arrested and charged with alcohol intoxication on August 18. On Oct. 23, he plead guilty and was found guilty on the charge of alcohol intoxication, and was fined \$25.

Aug. 28
Robert L. Lenz, 19, Commonwealth Hall, was arrested and charged with possession of marijuana and possession of various drug paraphernalia. On Sept. 11 the charge was dismissed.

Aug. 30
Clifford Clark, 18, Martin Hall,

was arrested and charged with alcohol intoxication. On Sept. 11 Clark was found guilty and was sentenced to one day in jail.

Sept. 7
Robert John Davis, 39, Richmond, was arrested and charged with alcohol intoxication. On Oct. 9 his charge was amended down and he plead guilty.

Emmett Lee Mackey, 46, Richmond, was arrested and charged with alcohol intoxication. On Sept. 18 Mackey plead guilty and was sentenced to one day in jail.

Sept. 10
James Waldon Bell, 22, Lexington, was arrested and charged with improper registration plate/expired decal, operating on a suspended license and failure to produce an insurance card. On Oct. 2, Bell was found guilty on all three charges, and was sentenced to 14 days in jail.

Dana Goss, 23, Richmond, was arrested and charged with disregarding traffic control devices and operating a motor vehicle with a suspended operator's license. His court date is set for Jan. 22, 2001.

Robert K. Allison IV, 20, Maysville, was arrested and charged with failure to use headlights and driving under the influence. On Oct. 2, the charge of failure to use headlights was merged with driving under the influence. Allison was found guilty and was sentenced to seven days in jail and a \$350 fine.

Sept. 13
Erik Michael Collins, 19, Commonwealth Hall, was arrested and charged with alcohol intoxication and disregarding commands from an officer. His court date is set for Dec. 18.

Sept. 15
Michael S. Steffen, 18, Palmer Hall, was arrested and charged with possession of marijuana. On Oct. 2 he was found guilty and given a \$100 fine.

Jonathan David Neace, 18, was arrested and charged with alcohol intoxication. His court date is set for Dec. 18.

Sept. 17
Christopher W. Boyles, 19, South Shore, was arrested and charged with alcohol intoxication. On Oct. 2 he was found guilty and sentenced to one day in jail.

Sept. 22
Corey M. Risk, 21, Lexington, was arrested and charged with driving under the influence and driving on the wrong side of the road. His court date is set for Dec. 4.

Matthew B. Malone, 19, Lexington, was arrested and charged with alcohol intoxication. On Oct. 2 Malone was found guilty and sentenced to one day in jail.

Emily Barth, 18, Telford Hall, was arrested and charged with alcohol intoxication. Her court date is set for Dec. 8.

Joseph T. Meagher, 20, was arrested and charged with alcohol intoxication. On Oct. 2 Meagher was found guilty and sentenced to one day in jail.

Brandon T. Bisig, 19, Louisville, was arrested and charged with alcohol intoxication. On Oct. 2 Bisig was found guilty fined.

Sept. 24
Renard Frazier, 20, Palmer Hall, was arrested and charged with alcohol intoxication. His court date is set for Dec. 18.

Jason Wayne Story, 19, Richmond, was arrested and charged with alcohol intoxication. On Oct. 9 he was found guilty and fined.

David L. Hawkins, 21, Richmond, was arrested and charged with fourth degree assault. On Oct. 9 Hawkins was found guilty and fined \$500.

Sept. 27
Luke M. Davis, 18, Martin Hall, was arrested and charged with possession of drug paraphernalia. On Oct. 16, the charge was amended down to a lesser charge of disorderly conduct. Davis was found guilty and fined \$100.

Sept. 28
Brian David Miller, 21, Clay Hall, was arrested and charged with alcohol intoxication. On Oct. 16 the charge was dismissed.

Jeremy Todd Riley, 21, Clay Hall, was arrested and charged with alcohol intoxication. His

court date is set for Jan. 22, 2001.

Jason Michael Green, 18, was arrested and charged with possession of marijuana. On Oct. 16 he was found guilty of this charge and fined \$100.

Sept. 29
Jeremy B. Wolfenbarger, 21, Irvine, was arrested and charged with possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia. His court date is set for Dec. 18.

William Charles Elam, 21, Martin Hall, was arrested and charged with alcohol intoxication. On Oct. 6, Elam was found guilty and sentenced to one day in jail.

Curtis Brandon Brewer, 22, London, was arrested and charged with alcohol intoxication. On Oct. 6, Brewer was found guilty and fined.

Sept. 30
Jennifer L. Castlen, 22, Owensboro, was charged with drinking an alcoholic beverage in a public place. On Nov. 3 the charge was dismissed.

Jason J. Roth, 24, Richmond, was charged with drinking an alcoholic beverage in a public place. His court date is set for Dec. 18.

Oct. 1
Matthew Hume, 19, Louisville, was arrested and charged with possession of alcohol by a minor. His court date is set for Jan. 22, 2001.

Oct. 2
Robert Louis Thompson Jr., 21, Indianapolis, Ind., was arrested and charged with indecent exposure and burglary. On Oct. 31, the charge of burglary was amended down by a Grand Jury to a charge of criminal trespassing. He was found guilty of the amended charge and was sentenced to 90 days in jail, with a conditional discharge of 55 days.

Oct. 5
Joseph Dwayne Taylor, 19, Berea, was arrested and charged with operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol, failure to illuminate headlights and driving under the influence with a suspended license. His court date is set for Dec. 11.

Duane Albert Huskinson, 34, Richmond, was arrested and charged with alcohol intoxication. His court date is set for Jan. 22, 2001.

Oct. 14
Timothy Wayne Debord, 21, Cynthia, was arrested and charged with alcohol intoxication in a public place. On Oct. 23 Debord was found guilty of the charge and sentenced to one day in jail.

Levon C. Bowman, 22, Corbin, was arrested and charged with alcohol intoxication. His court date is set for Jan. 22, 2001.

Oct. 16
Erin A. Yanke, 20, Telford Hall, was charged with possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia. On Nov. 6, the possession of drug paraphernalia was merged with the possession of marijuana charge and she was fined \$100.

Emily Caudill Combs, 19, Walters Hall, was arrested and charged with operating a vehicle under the influence of drugs and possession of drug paraphernalia. Her court date is set for Jan. 18, 2001.

Matt Wolfenbarger, 22, Richmond, was arrested and charged with alcohol intoxication. On Nov. 16 Wolfenbarger was found guilty of the charge and sentenced to one day in jail.

Oct. 20
Ruben J. Eppele, 20, Richmond, was arrested and charged with aggravated assault. On Oct. 24, Eppele was found guilty of assault in the fourth degree and was given a sentence of 30 days with a conditional discharge of 24 days.

Janet Dills, 18, Combs Hall, was charged with possession of alcohol by a minor. Her court date is set for Jan. 22, 2001.

Roger Sizemore, 21, Todd Hall, was charged with possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia. On Oct. 24 the drug paraphernalia charge was merged with the possession of the marijuana charge. Sizemore was found guilty and fined \$100.

Diana K. Orr, 19, Combs Hall, was charged with possession of alcoholic beverage by a minor. Her court date is set for Jan. 22, 2001.

Thomas A. Navarre III, 19, Keene Hall, was charged with possession of alcoholic beverage by a minor. His court date is set for Jan. 22, 2001.

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405 University Drive
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Sunday Supper: 6 p.m. (\$1.00)
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Worship: 10:45 a.m.
Wednesday Wave: 6 p.m. (Labor Day-Memorial Day)

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Sunday School: 9:40 a.m.
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129 Big Hill Ave.
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1285 Barnes Mill Rd.
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Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
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(Disciples of Christ)
1238 Barnes Mill Rd. (at Goggins Lane) Phone: 623-6515
Sunday Worship: 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.
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Wednesday Worship: 6:30 p.m.
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Heather Nichols/Progress

Construction

Construction is progressing quickly on what will soon be the new Student Services Building. The building will hold offices such as admissions, housing, financial aid, career services and student affairs.

CROSSWALK: Graduation date pushed back

From The Front

"They've all been pretty understanding about it," Watt said, "because something like this doesn't happen every day."

However, Watt couldn't finish his classes this semester, leaving him with a lot of questions about finishing his major in wildlife biology.

"I was hoping to try to graduate next December," Watt said. "But that's all pushed back now."

He said he has been able to get out the past couple of weeks.

"This last week a couple of friends have come and picked me up and we've gone out and done stuff," Watt said. He said he went to watch Eastern's hockey team, which he has always supported.

"I would play if I had the money," Watt said. He said he enjoys roller hockey and has served as a DJ during hockey games.

For now, though, Watt is concentrating on recovering, and enjoying the things he does get to do.

"It's interesting being laid up," Watt said.

Watt's father, Larry Watt, has been concentrating on something else, though. He said he has contacted Eastern Public Safety numerous times trying to get a copy of the accident reconstruction and report.

"I just am not able to get information out of them," Larry Watt said. "The reason they give is that their investigation is not complete yet." He said he had made personal trips to the Public Safety office three times and has called "a number of times."

Officials at Public Safety could not be reached for comment.



Jessica Leake/Progress

Lance Watt, a wildlife biology major from Lexington, is recovering at his home after being struck by a car at the Lancaster Crosswalk Nov. 2.

► News Briefs

Compiled by Jennifer Rogers

Eastern first university awarded by Council

Business programs in Eastern's College of Business and Technology received a Level 1 Quality Interest Award from the Kentucky Quality Council. The awards were created in 1997 by Gov. Paul Patton. Eastern is the first university in Kentucky to win the awards. The application for the award was completed by students in Terry Friel's spring 2000 Continuous Improvement in Operations course.

Donations for food drive accepted until Dec. 15

Donations to the ECU 2000 Food Drive can be made through Dec. 15. Non-perishable foods can be left at the ECU Food Drive truck in front of the Keen Johnson Building Monday through Friday from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m. Items can also be left in the ECU 2000 Food Drive boxes in residence hall lobbies. The food drive is coordinated by the

EKU Alumni Relations and the Student Alumni Ambassadors.

Eastern students win award for performance

Five Eastern students won awards for their performances in the Kentucky National Association of Singers Auditions. Brandon Owens, Emily Dennis and Danny Jones all won first place in their categories. Emily Tulloch won a second place award and Stephen Carney received a third place award. Five other students reached the semifinal level. The students competed against entrants from colleges and universities throughout Kentucky.

Department of Music presents concert Dec. 10

Eastern's Department of Music will present "A Joyeux Noel," an annual Christmas choral concert, at 3:30 p.m. Dec. 10 in Brock Auditorium. The concert will feature the Concert Choir and the ECU Symphony Orchestra. The concert

is free and open to the public.

Blood drive held Dec. 19 at First Christian Church

The Madison County Bar Association, Madison County Homemakers and Central Kentucky Blood Center are sponsoring a blood drive from 1 p.m. until 6 p.m. Dec. 19 in the Fellowship Hall of the First Christian Church. For more information call 1-800-775-2522.

Blood drive held Dec. 28 in CKBC bloodmobile

The Central Kentucky Blood Center and Wal-Mart of Richmond will sponsor a blood drive from noon until 6 p.m. Dec. 28 at the CKBC bloodmobile in the parking lot.

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- "Kentucky Postcards" book donated by University Press of Ky
- Books donated by Joseph-Beth Booksellers

Purchase your \$1 tickets from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. today & Friday at the entrance to the ECU Library OR 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mon., Dec. 11 at the entrance to the Fountain Food Court. Drawings begin there at 1:15 p.m. For information, call Rita Fox at 622-6655.

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The Progress wishes everyone happy holidays!

Perspective

A6 Thursday, December 7, 2000

The Eastern Progress

Dena Tackett, editor

► Campus Comments

Finals week is next week and students are already starting to stress out. News writer Jennifer Mullins talked to students about the stress of finals week.

What do you do to relieve stress during finals weeks?



JESSICA EAGER
Hometown: Berea
Major: English
Year: Sophomore

Eat a lot of junk food and take great big bubble baths.



MONICA SHOLTZBERGER
Hometown: Winchester
Major: Psychology
Year: Sophomore

Go dancing with friends and listen to my favorite tunes.



DERRICK JENKINS
Hometown: Altoona, Pa.
Major: Computer information systems
Year: Sophomore

Study hard and forget about it until the test comes up.



ROBERT SWEET
Hometown: Richmond
Major: Theatre arts
Year: Freshman

I sleep a lot.



JASON SNYDER
Hometown: Cincinnati
Major: Undeclared
Year: Freshman

Get to bed early and make sure I get a good nutritious breakfast.

Chill out

Stress of finals can be avoided, remedied

Some people bite their fingernails. Some drink a lot of coffee or smoke a lot of cigarettes. Whatever you do, you'll probably be doing a lot of it next week.

But it doesn't have to be that way. Many of the things that cause students to stress out during finals week can be avoided.

Students should start studying for finals well in advance of dead week. Sure this is easy to say, you say, but it is true. Don't wait until the night before the final to try to cram 10 chapters of U.S. history. The odds are against you that you'll remember it the following day.

Stress can also be avoided by not overreacting to the mission at hand. Just because you have your two hardest class' exams on one day, one hour from each other doesn't mean it is not possible. Many students simply freak out and don't get done what could have gotten done if they just stayed calm.

And remember, although grades are important, just because you get a C on your anatomy final it is not going to determine the entire fate of your future. That's not underestimating the importance of doing well, it just means that it is not going to end your life if you fail a course.

There are also many things you can do to calm down when you get so stressed out that you are not doing what you need to do. Take a minute to breathe. Stand up, go outside and take a walk. You can put the books down for a minute and watch some TV. You can go to watch a movie.



Time: 5:30am
T-minus: 2 hours 30 minutes

Michael Kotora/Progress

Anything is better than getting too stressed out that you can't comprehend what you are reading. It isn't really procrastinating when you just take a few moments to gather yourself when it gets to be too much to handle.

Finals strike fear into the hearts of the majority of students on college campuses. And Eastern is no different. Students stress out over exams, term papers and those who are graduating have the frightening job search to worry about.

Just remember to chill out. You are not doing yourself any good if you stress out so much that you forget everything you just spent the past 13 straight hours reading.

University doing its part by recycling

Garbage is on its way out on Eastern's campus. Eastern was ranked the second college for recycling last year, compared to other regional colleges and universities in the state. The University of Kentucky ranked No. 1 recycling nearly 1,500,000 pounds of high-grade office paper. Eastern recycled approximately 332,250 pounds of office paper.

Eastern not only ranked high in recycling office paper but other items as well, including recycling nearly 175,000 pounds of cardboard, 81,000 pounds of paper such as newspapers, 140,000 pounds of metal and 326 pounds of glass.

Eastern should be commended in their

efforts to preserve our natural resources, as well as making our campus look better.

Environmentalists are highly concerned with the issue of landfills today. Landfills are filling up faster and faster everyday, and opportunities to implement new landfills are becoming scarce. It's comforting to know that Eastern is taking a step to prevent the landfills from piling up even more.

Residence halls have even taken an interest in recycling. Items such as pizza boxes are now being broken down and recycled. College students live off pizza during the semester, so recycling the boxes is an easy way to prevent the garbage from piling up.

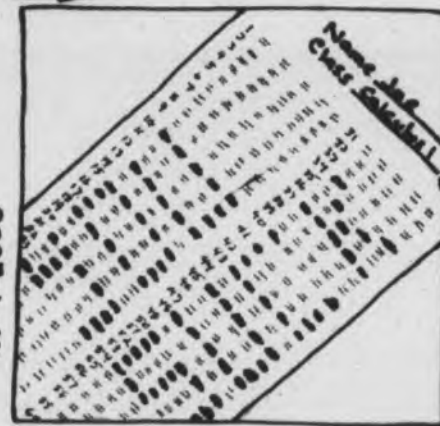
Furthermore, the university is working with the city/county in a joint effort to implement a curbside pickup in Brockton family housing and Vickers Village. It's important to include every aspect of the Eastern community in the recycling effort, not just those on campus.

Students and faculty should take advantage of Eastern's recycling program. The university has taken the step to help preserve our environment. Now it's up to you. The university can only recycle what is dropped off in the recycling bins.

So the next time you walk past one of the blue barrels labeled recycled, drop something in it. This is a joint effort, and requires help from everyone.

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by Dan Cleland



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Santa is real, here every day



DENA TACKETT
My Turn

Dena Tackett is a senior journalism major from Virgie. She is also the editor of The Progress.

Yes, guys, there is a Santa Claus. He may not be short, chubby and wear a little red suit and hat, but he is alive and I know him. When I was 5 years old, my mom told me a story of how she had stayed up really late one Christmas Eve night and caught Santa putting her gifts under the tree. She said we, too, could catch him if we stayed up late enough.

I was so psyched. I was actually going to see the real Santa Claus — not the ones in the mall who just tell Santa what kids want, but the real Santa, in the flesh.

Christmas Eve came and I could hardly sit still all day long. That night we opened presents, as we always did the night before Christmas. I couldn't even get excited about any of the presents, though, because I knew later I was going to see Santa.

It got later and later, and I tried as hard as I could to stay awake. My efforts failed, though, and I fell asleep because Mom and I were being as quiet as we could so we wouldn't scare Santa away. You know he won't come if he knows you will catch him, don't you?

The next thing I remember is Mom whispering in my ear. "Dena, wake up. I think I hear something on the roof."

Sure enough, there were soft bangs coming from up above us. My body was trembling with excitement, but I tried to stay as quiet and still as I could. All of the sudden, the back door opened slowly. My eyes widened as I stared at the door.

Very slowly, a black boot poked out from the door. Next, I saw a red leg and then the total phenomenon. It was Santa. There he stood, looking around to make sure nobody was around.

He wasn't as chubby as the pretend

Santas in the mall. His beard wasn't as long and he was taller than I had imagined. Either way, it was him. Santa Claus was standing in my hallway.

Santa made his way to my living room where a lit tree and chocolate chip cookies awaited his arrival. Mom was right, that must have been his favorite cookie, because he ate them before he went to work.

Mom whispered to me that we should be as quiet as possible as we started our journey down the hall. We crept down to the edge of the living room of our small trailer and watched as he sat up my toys in the sort of display you would see at a toy store.

"Little Dena will love this," he said, adding a, "Ho, Ho, Ho."

Then it happened. He looked over his shoulder and saw me standing there watching his every move. I was scared, at first, that he would suddenly vanish or something, but he didn't. He invited me to come over and give him a hug.

Being the outgoing child that I was, I rushed over and embraced Santa. When he sat me down, I looked up at him and asked if he had the Walking Annie doll I had asked for in my letter. "Sure, Little Dena," he said as he turned and got it from his sack.

I couldn't believe it. Santa knew my name. I guess I always figured he knew every little boy and girl, but he really did know it.

Then I asked if he had an Atari. I never was the shyest kid in my neighborhood.

"Yes, Little Dena," he answered. "I just have to go up to my sleigh and get it."

When he returned he was carrying an Atari. He sat it down in front of the tree with all my other toys, but I didn't even bother to look at them. I had Santa right there and I

wasn't about to waste a second of it.

When Santa was about to leave, I looked up one more time and made another request. I asked for a candy cane. Santa seemed kind of shocked at my request. Mom, who had been recording the whole thing on one of those old projector recording devices, sat the camera down and said she would help Santa find one in his sleigh.

When they returned, Santa handed me a little candy cane that was broken in two. I guess he could tell I was disappointed, because what he said next I will never forget.

"I'm sorry it is broken, Little Dena. It was the last one I had, and Rudolph stepped on it," he explained.

My eyes lit up once again. I had a candy cane that the real Rudolph had stepped on.

Santa left, and I soon fell asleep holding my candy cane. The next day, I told Dad about the whole thing. He had missed it all.

Dad wasn't as excited as Mom and I were, though, because he was the one who had to get up on the roof to fix the damage caused by the reindeer the night before. I wanted to go up and see it, but he said it was too dangerous.

I was the envy of all my friends when we went back to school. They couldn't believe I had actually caught Santa at my house. Each one of them vowed to catch him next year.

As time went by and some of my friends started spreading vicious rumors that Santa was not real, I would break out the video and show them proof that he was. It was hard to argue with such evidence.

I kept that candy cane until I was up into my teens. Somehow it just got lost among all the other things I had accumulated over the years. I would like to find it, though,



Nathan Bullock/Progress

because it is something special that I will never forget.

I later found out that the candy cane was one my mom had been given at work that day, and they had to give that one to me because the store was out when she went after one earlier that day.

You see, Santa is real. He is present in every family. He is there not only on Christmas, though, but every day of the year.

He is real. I should know, because I have him on tape.

College goes way too fast, so cherish your time here



JENNI HOVERMAN
My Turn

Jenni Hoverman is a senior sociology major from Lebanon, Ohio.

As December graduation nears and I think back to my first days at Eastern, I wonder how I would have made it without the relationships I have gained here. I remember standing in that half unpacked dorm room with tears running down my face and I wondered if life would ever be the same. I had left my best friends, my family and my safe little high school where everyone knew me.

"Mom, don't leave me here," I said sobbing. I remember being so scared and all alone, not knowing what was to come. Little did I know it would be the fastest four and a half years of my life.

That first week of class I was ready to pack up and go home. I had girls asking me if I wanted to rush that were wearing weird letters, and I had to buy books that were so expensive I thought my whole life savings was going to be gone in one purchase. Then you have to go stand in lines that if you are lucky will only last an hour. You pay for parking when nobody understands why, because we do pay enough to go to this school. You are sent to five different buildings to get your loan check only to find that they didn't even sign the back. So, then you must turn around and go back. To top that off they send you to 15 different other buildings to get other things taken care of and you have freshman like me wandering around, not knowing which direction they are being pointed to or which building they are supposed to be at.

It is very frustrating when you are a lost and confused freshman. I spent a lot of breath of complaining about these things. My favorite thing was complaining about the man who loves to give you tickets, even though there is nowhere else to park. Or how about the crosswalk that we all complained about for so long that they finally put in. The dorms check in policy, the "curfew" rule for members of the opposite sex to be out by midnight, the candles taken away, the cold showers and I could go on and on.

The point of this is not to complain, but to look back and know that those are

not the things that you will remember about Eastern. We spend too much time complaining and not enough time looking at all the positive things that this university does for its students. For example, the different concerts that they brought here. Dave Matthews, Indigo girls, Montel Jordan and Violent Femmes were just a few. The crosswalk was eventually put in and a new parking lot was provided. There are also organizations for everyone here you just have to find it. Get involved, it will make your time here so much better.

Have some school spirit. Go to the football games or the volleyball games. Go to the rugby games, the basketball games or the baseball and softball games. There are many things they provide for students to get involved in. You are here, you should take advantage of that. Maybe we should all learn that complaining gets us nothing. What really matters is the bonds that you form here. Some people may choose to go Greek, some may play sports and some might get involved in other clubs or organizations. Some might fall in love or some may not, some hearts may break, some may not. Some might find downtown, some may not, and most will gain friendships of a lifetime.

The point is cherish every minute that you have here because it goes way too fast. I have met some of my very best friends here whom I will share lifelong memories with. I have met wonderful teachers that have made a huge impact on my life, even though they might not know it.

With only a few weeks to go in my college career, I am feeling the same thing today as when I was a freshman. Where will I go, what will I do and why do I have to leave all of my friends behind? Don't get me wrong, I am very excited to get on with my life, but it is kind of scary. So, when you start to complain, remember that when you leave you will always carry all the fun memories with you. Good luck to the December class of 2000.

Letter to the editor

Alum thinks 68 should get amnesty

It has been 20 years since I graduated from Eastern. I see nothing has changed and certain situations have gotten worse. The students who stayed in their dorms after the fire alarm had been pulled evidently felt enough is enough.

I believe these students should be granted amnesty. Closer monitoring of fire pull boxes should be put into place. Individuals who cause a false alarm should be caught and punished.

I still have vivid memories of standing on the sidewalk in the wee hours of the morning after some moron pulled the fire alarm. Like I said nothing changes.

Grant the 68 amnesty.

Darrell W. Peters
Eastern Alumnus

Corrections

In the Nov. 30 posting of the incliment weather plan in News Briefs, it should have read that the regular 1:25 p.m. class will start at 2:10 p.m. when the schedule is in effect.

The Eastern Progress will publish clarifications and corrections as needed on the Perspective pages.

If you have a correction, please send it to the editor by noon Monday before publication on Thursday.

You can bring corrections by or mail it to 117 Donovan Annex or e-mail it to The Progress at progress@acs.clu.edu.

Students should make most of home away from home



DEMETRIACE MOORE
My Turn

Demetriace Moore is a sophomore deaf education major from Washington, D.C. He is also the assistant photo editor of The Progress.

On any given day as I stroll aimlessly around the campus beautiful, (I tend to do that sometimes), I see remnants of days gone by... The good old days.

I notice the old yearbooks that seemed to be scattered about wherever there seems to be a waiting area of any sort. I see pictures of smiling students actually enjoying their college experience.

As I flip through the pages I see aspects of campus life that I had no idea existed. Students gathered in the lobby of their residence halls, playing cards while one student strummed a guitar and others played a card game, enjoying each other's company unconditionally. I see photos of one-legged races, water balloons fights, tug-o-wars and wheel barrel races.

As I put down this book of memories, I visit one of my favorite spots on campus, the bowling alley in the Powell Building. (Just a note, I bowled a 198 there last week, my roommate could only manage a 172). I sit down to lace up the tattered bowling shoes I had been given and look over my shoulder to notice a bowling league schedule. Can you believe that?

Call me the eternal optimist but I think we can, and I think we have a pretty good starting point. I think we all can take just a little more pride in the place we call home. To be proud to claim the title Colonel and wear it as a badge of honor. I have heard far too many people down Eastern in so many ways, for so many reasons yet do absolutely nothing to make things better.

I think we all can accept the fact that Eastern is home, believe it or not; if you live in a residence hall, this is your home. So, what we all can do is pitch in to make OUR home better for us all. The residence halls should be personalized to fit our needs and desires, help decorate them and spend some actual time in them getting to know your neighbors and classmates. Ask the residence hall director to put a Ping-Pong or pool table in the lobby so that you will have a place to commune with your friends.

We aren't too far off from the good NEW days, of this I am confident. If we all just jump into this thing with both feet and put all of our hearts into it, generations from now, you can tell your grandchildren about the good old days!

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How to avoid JINGLE HELL

These presents won't break Santa's bank

Fortunately, there are lots of toys out there that don't cost a fortune, look cool and play just as well, and are better than this year's Tickle Me Elmo. At the Blue Tail Fly novelty store, on Boone Tavern Square in Berea, there are wonderful toys that don't cost too much and are sure to please any child, rich or poor.



Jessica Griffin bought this train in Berea.

A toy train can be bought for \$6.95 that would make any boy, age 2 or 10, happy. It looks like something you might find in your grandparent's attic because it doesn't have any buttons, make sounds or have flashing lights. It is just a simple train made out of metal and a little plastic.

It is a replica of an 19th century steam engine, and painted to detail. It has a coal tender attached to it (the coal is painted on), and a smokestack with a bright red plastic top. It runs on friction, and moves faster the harder you push it. Unlike today's battery operated super toys, this toy will not eat up your money by taking batteries. You simply push it across the floor and a friction engine makes the wheels move. It has a weighted torque wheel in the engine that makes the wheels move, and if you push it fast enough a flint causes sparks to fly in the red smokestack, which is sure to delight any young boy.

The toy train is a timeless gift, because trains symbolize so many things. Power, speed, history and travel to distant lands are something that will always be represented in this society, no matter if it is the year 1800 or 2000. This gift, given to a child or an adult, is sure to bring all of these things, as well as a smile.

-Jessica Griffin

This holiday season, shop for everyone — without being broke

What better gift is there to give someone than an outlet for creativity? No matter if you're buying for your mom, dad, brother, sister or friends, it is hard to go wrong with a book full of blank pages. The person doesn't necessarily have to have an interest in writing to appreciate a journal because the pages can be used for anything. A journal is a creative, versatile and inexpensive gift that will work wonderfully for a Christmas gift.

Over the years, one grows tired of opening a package to find a replica pair of wool socks that they received the year before. Not only is it disheartening, but one also must take into consideration the feelings of the person that bought it. No longer will Christmas call for an Oscar caliber performance to ensure that the gift was appreciated. A journal is sure to be accepted, if only for its initial cleverness.

There is no need to break the bank this Christmas. The perfect gift for anyone can be bought for under \$10. Typical gifts such as compact discs usually start out at around \$14. Why spend a lot of money to give a lame gift when a more unique and creative present can be purchased at a lower price? Journals can cost anywhere from \$5.99 on up, depending on how they are constructed and can be found at most bookstores and greeting card shops.

-Ronica Brandenburg

When it comes to Christmas shopping on a tight budget, I've become something of an expert since I have a very large family and a very small income.

To make my money go as far as possible, I've learned a trick — whenever possible, make it yourself. So, last year, and this one as well, I will furnish gifts for at least five or six people on my list for under \$10 by baking my way to Christmas cheer.

Before those of you who may be culinary-impaired dismiss this idea, I should tell you that I am no genius in the kitchen either. Read on, though.

All you need for this gift is two rolls of Pillsbury sugar cookie dough, a tube of red and a tube of green icing, multi-colored sheets of wax paper and a roll of gold ribbon like you use for packages.

Here's a rundown of the price these items, purchased at Winn-Dixie here in Richmond: Cookies — two rolls for \$4
Cut-Rite wax paper (rainbow colors) — \$1.39
Icing — two tubes for \$2.50
Ribbon — \$1.29
Total with tax — \$9.49

Follow the directions on the package for making the cookies and when they have cooled, use the icing to decorate. I painted bells, holly leaves, Christmas trees and ornaments and snowmen on mine. This not only makes the cookies more attractive, it also gives them a personal touch and makes them seem homemade. If you have a little extra money to invest, you sprinkle them with red and green sugar, holiday m&m's or shredded coconut "snow."

-Allison Haley

I arrived at 200 South Third St. and found The Little House. I had never been there before so I was interested in what was inside.

It was a little store, hence the name, that housed women's apparel. It was nice and very comfortable. I was never rushed into buying something.

The perfect gift I found under \$10 was a plastic red bracelet that has shiny glass diamonds all around. It's a big bracelet that slides on my wrists, so if you are into big jewelry, there you go.

It cost me \$6.36. I would wear it because it's different and people would notice the shine and the fact it's pretty big.

The service was excellent. Margaret Ortenburger, the owner, wrapped my bracelet up in pretty pink paper and put it in a nice bag. She was always around if I needed help or had a question. Something you like to see when shopping.

-Melissa Rhodus



Melissa Rhodus bought this bracelet at The Little House.

When choosing a cheap Christmas gift I was overwhelmed at the amount of useless crap that cluttered the mall, Wal-Mart, my closet...not that anyone would actually give someone a gift from my closet, unless he was really desperate. There are relatively few great gifts you can get for \$10. Chia Pets, Slinkys and Rubik's Cubes are all swell for the first 15 minutes, but before too long the Chia dies, the Slinky twists and the Cube shatters as you throw it against the wall in frustration.

Finding a gift that is thoughtful, useful and lasting can be like searching for Trix when you're just a silly rabbit. So after much consideration I did the one thing which pains men most in this world, I took my girlfriend's advice. She suggested many things which would be just as annoying as one of those singing fish, which are 20 bucks, so I couldn't get one of them. Finally, while wondering around Wal-Mart we both came across the disposable cameras. A light seemed to go off in my head, although it could have been my cold. A disposable camera and a \$5 gift certificate to pay for processing would be a great gift.

Christmas is all about cheer and joy, so what better way to remember that cheer and joy than through pictures. Well, maybe a camcorder, but where are you going to find one of those for \$10?

-Victor Puente

Every year hundreds of people flock to malls and specialty shops to find that perfect gift for their loved ones. In the search for the perfect gift, friends and family spend hundreds and thousands of dollars.

This Christmas little girls and little boys can still have that glimmer in their eye when they get a gift for \$10 or less. The gift doesn't have to cost an extreme amount of money to be useful or meaningful.

Claire's, in the Richmond Mall, has many gifts for little girls, a lot of which are not overly expensive. There are also some gifts that would be suitable for a boy or a girl.

One gift in particular is the blow up chairs that are two for \$20 or one for \$10. They come in a variety of colors and designs.

This gift is perfect for college age kids so that they can have a comfortable chair to sit in and watch TV, or for a younger child to sit in when they play their video games or when they watch TV at home.

The chair comes in a variety of colors, so it's not hard to find one for a boy or a girl and it even has a repair kit if you get a hole in it. The chair would probably not be such a good present for someone over 25, but would be ideal for anyone from 8 to 24.

-Jennifer Schagane



Ronica Brandenburg bought this journal in Lexington.

Most women like things that are cute and very comfortable to wear. Let's face it, nobody wants to wear something that is hideous and uncomfortable. The clothing would sit in that person's closet or drawers for a couple of years before they would get tired of seeing the ugly thing and throw it away or donate it to charity.

I think that fashion socks, from DEB, in the Richmond Mall, would be a great gift for any female between the ages of 10 and 30.

They range in price from \$3.50 a piece or \$2, if they are on clearance.

With most of the work force opening up and allowing casual dress days, at least once a week, woman are becoming more creative with their footwear purchases.

While Christmas socks are great gifts also, socks that can be worn all-year round may make the best gift.

-Amanda Reynolds



Amanda Reynolds bought socks similar to these for under \$10.

A great gift under \$10 is a tiny box of cards from Hallmark that a person could give someone for any reason. This product may be purchased at the Richmond Mall in the Hallmark store. The tiny cards called "Itty Bitty Greetings," can be a gift for any occasion.

The pack with the dogs and cats on the front of the cards made me smile. This would be a wonderful gift to give someone that might be having a bad day. It's a great gift idea for people who like to send cards. This gift is unlike any other gift because it's something few would think of as a present, but in reality, giving others something for the purpose of making them happy is considered a gift in itself.

-Catherine Richardson



Catherine Richardson bought these cards at Hallmark.

Some perfect gifts may be another person's trash. Antiques are usually affordable and meaningful. Many items can be found for under \$10 for that special someone on your Christmas list.

The crystal plate I purchased for \$9 will be my grandmother's favorite gift. While some people may think a gift must be purchased at a shopping mall, items like this can be found at a yard sale, antique shops or flea markets.

My grandmother is very old. She loves to just sit and stare at beautiful things. When I walked in the crystal plate was shining in the sunlight and caught my eye. After getting closer to the plate, I saw that it was very unique; I had never seen anything like it before. The yellow sun and moon and the blue stars made me think of the future. To me it's like you're looking through a glass to see the future and what ever you make of it is what will come true.

This Christmas, remember it is the thought of the gift that counts, not the price.



Amy Marksberry bought this plate for \$9.

What's On Tap

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Dec. 7-13

**THURS
7**

8:30 a.m.-4 p.m.
"Kentucky's Judiciary: Looking Backward, Looking Ahead" will be held in the Perkins Building.

11 a.m.-3 p.m.
Eku 2000 Food Drive will run through Dec. 15.

2:30-4 p.m.
Satellite Conference, "Implementing Information Technology into the Curriculum," by Kenneth Green will be held in Room 108 of Crabbe Library.

6 p.m.
John Lovelace Vocal Recital will be held in Brock Auditorium.

6:30-8:30 p.m.
Eastern will host an Open House at the Executive Inn in Louisville for prospective college students. For more information call 622-2106.

8 p.m.
Single Reed Recital will be held in Gifford Theatre.

**FRI
8**

8:30 a.m.-4 p.m.
Orientation for transfer students and new freshman for spring 2001 will be held in Auxiliary Gym in Alumni Coliseum.

1:25 p.m.
Friday Student Recital will be held in Room 300 of the Foster Building.

6:30 p.m.
"Pioneer Christmas in Kentucky" at Fort Boonesborough State Park. Runs through Dec. 9 and Dec. 15-16. For more information call 859-527-3131.

7-9 p.m.
Victorian Christmas at White Hall State Historic House. Runs through Dec. 10. For more information call 623-9178.

7 p.m.
An art exhibit opens at Woody's in Richmond.

8 p.m.
Julie Ross Oboe Recital will be held in Gifford Theatre.

**SAT
9**

10 a.m. & 1 p.m.
"The Dinosaur Play" will be at the Richmond Area Arts Center. For more information call 624-4242.

2 p.m.
Eastern men's basketball vs. Shawnee State in Richmond.



Demetrius Moore/Progress

Eastern men's basketball will face off against Shawnee State, Dec. 9, in McBrayer Arena.

**SUN
10**

3 p.m.
Christmas Choral Concert will be held in Brock Auditorium.

8 p.m.
Chris Combest Tuba Recital will be held in Brock Auditorium.

**MON
11**

Final Examinations Week Begins.

6 p.m.
BSU Christmas party. Call 623-3294 for more information.

**TUE
12**

6:30 p.m.
Kickboxing at the BSU.

9 p.m.
Slaid Cleaves and Paul Thorn will play at Lynagh's Music Club in Lexington.

9:30 p.m.
VIVE! The BSU's weekly worship service will be held in the Ferrell Room of the Combs Building.

**WED
13**

10 p.m.
Joey and Deuce will play at Hooligan's.

9 p.m.
Kakelane Recording Artist Kate Schrock will play at Lynagh's Music Club in Lexington.



Chief Justice Joseph Lambert will speak at "Kentucky's Judiciary: Looking Backward, Looking Ahead," a conference on Thursday.

Merry Christmas to All



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Residential Development sends students to Paris

BY JENNIFER SCHAGANE
Staff writer

Aspirations of traveling to France and England can finally come true for many of the students at Eastern. The Office of Residential Development and Education is putting together an EF Educational tour to Paris and London for a reasonable price.

For approximately nine days the tour will cost \$1,623 for students under the age of 25, and \$1,823 for students over the age of 25. The trip is not only for students that go to Eastern but parents, friends and anyone else who would like to go, including faculty and staff, which there is a discount for.

The price includes, round trip airfare, seven overnight stays in hotels with private bathrooms, continental breakfast and dinner served daily, full-time bilingual tour director, four sightseeing tours led by licensed tour guides, five visits to special attractions, two EF walking tours, theater performance, Seine river cruise, and "Chunnel" crossing via the

"The trip is listed as educational, but it's really just an opportunity to see the cities."

Brandee Petrey, director of residential education

Eurostar train. The Director of Residential Education Brandee Petrey is the person putting the trip together.

"The trip is listed as educational, but it's really just an opportunity to see the cities," Petrey said. Petrey is also one of the group leaders.

"The trip will start on day one,

May 14, 2001, with the flight to France, followed by day two, your arrival in Paris. Day three will be sightseeing and visiting landmarks such as the Notre Dame Cathedral," Petrey said.

The next two days will be more sightseeing in Paris and the on the sixth day the arrival in London, via the English Channel by the Chunnel. Days seven and eight will consist of tours of London and a visit to a theater performance. On the ninth day the trip ends.

"This trip is very exciting because you get to learn about the cities you're visiting and why they are there," Petrey said.

With visits to Versailles, river cruises, tours and visits to art exhibits the trip should prove to be not only educational, but also influential and the attendants' perception of a different continent. The deadline for registration is Dec. 15.

"The later you wait to reserve your spot the less time we have to work out payment plans with you. The sooner you can reserve the better," Petrey said.



Photo submitted

Demetriace Moore, sophomore deaf education major from Washington, D.C., is very still while getting his tongue pierced. Moore already has several other body piercings including two navel piercings.

Body piercing is trend, symbol of rebelliousness

BY JESSICA GRIFFIN
Staff writer

"Forget that gun. That gun goes against the entire idea behind piercing. All of my piercings, 16 places on my body, every one of 'em done with a needle. Five in each ear. One through the nipple on my left breast. One through my right nostril. One through my left eyebrow. One through my lip. And I wear a stud in my tongue."

-Rosanna Arquette, Pulp Fiction

Few people in this world care to go to the extreme of having 16 or more piercings strategically placed throughout their bodies. As a matter of fact, most don't have any piercings, save the classic - one in each ear. However, throughout the '90s and into the new millennium, body piercing has become a trend and a symbol of rebelliousness for college students all over the country.

"I wanted to do something rebellious. I got a tongue ring because it was inexpensive and cool," says Kat Moran, a senior at Centre College.

Moran isn't alone. Chuck "Bishop" Kindred, a body piercer at Tattoo Charlie's in Lexington, said most of his clients are college students.

"The majority of them are female, as well," Kindred said. "A lot of them do it because their friends have body piercings."

Piercing is relatively cheap, too, which is a bonus for the low-on-cash college student. At Tattoo Charlie's it ranges from \$35 to \$55, depending on what you want pierced.

"It is \$35 for the tongue, \$40 for the belly button, and \$55 for both nipples," Kindred said.

In the age of AIDS and Hepatitis, getting a body piercing is not something you should just jump into and do on a whim. Anybody looking into getting something pierced needs to be sure the piercing shop uses sterilized equipment, brand new needles and jewelry.

"We sterilize our equipment at 285 degrees and under 15 pounds of pressure, which is above the Kentucky regulation," Bishop said.

To be sure the needles are new, the piercer should open the package in front of you. They should also wear gloves at all times.

Another no-no for piercings is the gun that you may have seen in a mall piercing ears. This gun was made specifically for the ear lobes, and is not 100 percent safe even for that.

If a piercer tries to use this anywhere but your ear you should run away, according to the Association of Professional Piercers, on their Web site. The gun is very difficult to sterilize, and force of the blunt stud can often cause complications with the healing process.

The healing process is something you should also think about before a piercing. Because a piercing is actually a wound, it heals in the same process that a scrape would; therefore, healing time of a piercing depends on your health.

In an article on the Body Modification Ezine Web site (www.bme.freeq.com), Cheyenne Morrison, a piercer who has done extensive medical research on piercing, said if you are sick, overworked or have a depleted immune system at the time of a piercing, you may have a slower healing time and a greater chance of getting an infection.

"Smoking, poor diet, obesity and lack of exercise can also result in delayed healing," Morrison said in her article. She also said that those suffering from diabetes or hemophilia should not get piercings.

The slowest piercing to heal is the navel/belly button, because it is in an area where clothing can irritate it.

"If you have a job where you must wear tight clothes, like

Things to know before you go

There are several medical problems that make it dangerous to get pierced, including diabetes, hemophilia and keloids.

There are several factors that could cause your body not to heal well after a piercing, including your overall health.

It does hurt, but the pain is minimal if performed by an experienced piercer.

Bleeding is very minimal if you are not taking aspirin or drinking alcohol, which are blood thinners.

Ice packs can be used to numb the area before piercing.

Piercing usually takes 10 to 15 minutes.

Source: www.bme.freeq.com

panty hose, skirts, or shorts, you will have problems if you have your navel pierced," Morrison said in her article. "Any pressure on the piercing causes aggravation and if continued... can result in inflammation."

Despite the healing time of the navel, it is the most popular piercing, along with the tongue.

The college years are prime time for people to express themselves in ways that will be unaccepted a few years down the road.

From unique clothing to off-the-wall hair colors to body piercing, self-expression should be dealt with however an individual pleases.

As the cartoon character, Chef, from South Park says, "There is a time and a place for everything, children, and it's called college."

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Student drums way to India

BY ALLISON ALTIZER
Assistant Accent editor

The exotic, mysterious sounds of Indian music have so enthralled an Eastern student that he is traveling thousands of miles just to study it further.

Jeremiah Fowler, 21, a music education senior from Richmond, has devoted this semester to studying tabla drumming, a specific type of Indian drumming. Fowler will leave Dec. 28 to travel to India and learn more about the technique.

"I hope to gain a better knowledge of the music and become a better player of that type of music. Of course, it (the trip) is also going to be a tourism thing. I'm not going to go to another country and not check out things going on," Fowler said.

Last year, Fowler received a set of tabla drums for Christmas. Yet he didn't begin to study the technique until this semester. Jason Koontz, Eastern's new percussion director, has a proficient knowledge of tabla drumming techniques, and he has traveled to India twice to study tabla. After learning of Koontz's knowledge, Fowler requested to learn the technique in his private lessons.

Tabla drums are a set of two hand-held drums. The drum for the right hand is called the tabla. The drum is tall, cylindrical-shaped and produces the high-pitched sound. Moreover, the drum for the left hand is known as the bayan. This drum is bowl-shaped and produces the low-pitched sounds.

"In India, there's a whole dif-

ferent type of instrument. There's a whole different percussion family," Fowler said.

"Musically and rhythmically, it's a lot more complex than anything I've studied at this school. It's very complex; it's a totally different style I'm playing, a totally different drum than I've ever played in my life," Fowler said.

Fowler will study in Chennai, formerly known as Madras, a town in southern India.

Fowler will make the trip with three students from Miami of Ohio University. Srinivas Krishnan, an instructor at Miami of Ohio University, is an Indian native and leads a small group of students each summer and winter.

Although the trip is organized as a group, the students must make their own arrangements and pay for the trip. Fowler says Eastern has helped him finance the trip. Through the music department, the international education department and Eastern President Robert Kustra, the school has given Fowler about \$1,700.

"The school has given me a sizeable chunk of money, so it's almost like they are sponsoring me. I'm paying for almost half of the trip myself, but I'm getting a lot of help from the school," Fowler said.

Fowler hopes to graduate next year, and plans to teach music in some arena. Currently, he is focusing on teaching elementary education.

However, Fowler is determined to remain focused on the



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Jeremiah Fowler, 21, of Richmond will travel to Chennai, India three days after Christmas. He will be studying the tabla drumming technique.

studies at hand. The further he delves into his subject, the more unrivaled knowledge he gains.

"One of the things I get bored with is when you're studying at a university, regardless of what you're studying, you've got hun-

dreds of people around you that are doing the same thing," Fowler said. "You don't ever feel different. Well, this gave me the opportunity to do something totally different, that no one has ever done before, and that's something I can take away."

Gallery exhibits graduating students

BY ALLISON ALTIZER
Assistant Accent editor

After four or more years of slaving over assignments, papers and tests, every student desires verification that they have accomplished something. Every semester, the Eastern art department offers this opportunity to graduating students. At the Graduating Art B.F.A. Majors Exhibit, students are able to exhibit the art they have created throughout their college career.

This semester's exhibit features three graduating graphic design majors. Cynthia Combs, 24, of Pikeville, Kevin Bayless, 24, of Middlesboro and Frank Yates, 32, of

Richmond, have displayed 20-35 pieces each. The exhibit will run through Dec. 15.

"With all three of us being graphic design majors, the exhibit flows nice, yet captures the diversity of each person's style," Combs said.

"In the exhibit, we are required to put pieces from core classes that represented our strongest pieces. It's great because it lets people know that graphic design is also considered a fine art," Combs said.

Bayless feels the education he has gained at Eastern's art department is priceless.

"The ECU art department has benefited me by introducing me to all aspects of art and helping me gain some sort of experience in

each. It was great being in a department where you were surrounded by art and nothing else," Bayless said.

According to Yates, the exhibit has already given him career a boost. Furthermore, the show gives the art department much-appreciated coverage.

"There's a lot of talent (in the exhibit). The show promotes attention to the art department. Other departments like the theatre department have events that people hear about and are familiar with. The art department isn't as well known, so every time we have a show it gets the word out and really shows everyone what we do," Yates said.

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Tangled up in Blue

Ford pays visit to alma mater wearing maroon; UK not a gracious host, beat Colonels 94-79

By JOHN HAYS
Assistant sports editor

When Travis Ford was introduced in what was his first visit to Rupp Arena since graduating from UK in 1994, 18,349 fans stood and gave him a resounding two-minute standing ovation. The emotion of the moment gave Ford and his Colonels the intensity to match the Wildcats' superior talent in the first half.

"It was an incredible feeling," Ford said. "I told my team they had better take advantage of playing here. I've got a lot of great memories here. It was just the best feeling."

Despite shooting a dismal 28 percent from the field in the first stanza, Eastern went into the locker room at the half trailing 45-37. However, the Wildcats, behind the shooting of Saul Smith and Keith Bogans, led by as many as 24 points in the second half and spoiling Ford's debut 94-79 Tuesday night.

Bogans and senior guard John White traded three-pointers to start the game. Spanky Parks hit a floater in the lane to cut UK's lead to 9-7. Richmond native Marquis Estill's three-point play and a pair of free throws by Smith made the score 14-7.

Then with 15:37 to go in the first half, Ford was whistled for his second technical of the year. On the ensuing possession, Eric Daniels' six straight points, along with Tayshaun Prince's lay-up gave UK a 22-7 advantage.

Ford said the technical was tactical more than being upset at an official.

"I was doing it for my team," Ford said. "I was showing that we were here to fight. I think it helped a little bit. It was more for my team to realize that we were not going to lay down and die."

And help it did. After a Daniels' free-throw gave the Wildcats a 36-23 lead, White's second three-pointer of the game sparked Eastern on a 9-0 run to cut the lead to seven. White scored eight points during the run and Lavaris Jerry's free-throw with 48 seconds left cut UK's lead to four at 41-37. But four free-throws by Marvin Stone and Prince put the Wildcats

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Travis Ford,
Eastern head coach

up by eight heading into the locker room.

UK coach Tubby Smith wasn't pleased with his team's seventh win over Eastern in as many meetings.

"I thought we played pretty sloppy tonight," Smith said. "The lack of concentration and focus and the unforced errors were just ridiculous."

The Wildcats turned the ball over 29 times resulting in 24 Colonels points and the much taller UK only out-rebounded Eastern by eight, 48-40.

"We got something accomplished tonight," Ford said. "Anytime you get 20 offensive rebounds, it is a big step. We changed defenses a lot tonight and I think that may have forced a few turnovers."

The Wildcats outscored Eastern 16-6 to start the second half. Bogans' two three-pointers and a pair of Smith lay-ups put Kentucky up 65-45 with 13:51 left.

Jerry's thunderous slam-dunk over Prince broke the Wildcats' run momentarily. And when Clinton Sims sank a three-pointer, the Colonels pulled within 15.

But Kentucky would build a 24-point lead with four minutes left to play. Four points by Parks and Richard Gaston each, along with Clinton Sims' three-pointer with 55 seconds to go cut UK's lead to 15, but that was as close as the Colonels would get.

White led Eastern with 21 points followed by 19 by Parks. Jerry reached double figures with 10 points before fouling out.

Parks led the Colonels with seven rebounds. UK placed four players in double digits led by Bogan's 21. Smith matched his career-high with 17 points while Prince and Daniels added 15 and 14, respectively.

The Wildcats shot 48.3 percent from the field and connected on 10 of 25 three-pointers. Meanwhile, Eastern shot a paltry 34.7 percent and hitting 10 of 27 three-point attempts.

"Our guys are going to have to realize that we have just eight scholarship players," Ford said. "And they are going to have to go out and work extra hard. If we can bottle that up as the season progresses, we will win a few games this year."

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Travis Ford, John Brannen, Jerry Pelphrey and team chaplain Howard Miller meet during a timeout Tuesday night at Rupp Arena. This was Ford's first visit to his alma mater as a head coach. Eastern lost to the Wildcats 94-79.

Ladies finish third in tourney

Colonels go to Lone Star state, lose to Memphis, win over Iona

By DEVIN KLARER
Sports writer

The Lady Colonels are off and running to start the 2000-2001 basketball season.

The women upped their record to 4-2 on the year after splitting a pair of road games over the weekend.

The Lady Colonels traveled to Houston, Texas, where they participated in the Gene Hackerman Invitational. The Colonels lost to the Memphis Lady Tigers 89-66 on Friday and then defeated the Iona Gaels 81-71 on Saturday.

The Lady Colonels jumped out to an early lead in their loss to Memphis, but were unable to handle the Tigers down the stretch. The Colonels shot only 35 percent from the field and 4-16 from three-point range.

After the Lady Colonels went ahead 6-2 to start the game, the Tigers ran off a 20-9 run to go on top by 10. The Colonels trailed by 10 at halftime and were never able to get closer than five the rest of the way. The Tigers lead by as many as 28 points in the second half.

The big story in the game was the how Eastern was dominated on the boards. The Tigers out-rebounded the Colonels 62-35.

The Colonels were lead by freshman Katie Kelly's 16 points, five rebounds and four assists. Candice Finley chipped in 10 points and two blocks for the Colonels.

Kelly was named Ohio Valley Conference Rookie of the Week last week because of her perfor-

mance in the Colonels' three games. She averaged 9.7 points in helping the Colonels to a 2-1 record for the week.

The Tigers were lead by Tiffany Adkins' 22 points and 11 rebounds.

Eastern Coach Larry Joe Inman cited a few key areas the Colonels faltered in during the Memphis game.

"We have to take care of the ball better and we can't allow a team like Memphis to grab 28 offensive rebounds. Our shooting and rebounding has to improve," Inman said.

On Saturday, Eastern defeated the Iona Gaels (2-4) in the consolation game of the tourney, 81-71. The Colonels used a balance attack to hold a slim but steady lead for most of the game.

Eastern lead by as many as nine points in the first half and never relinquished their lead after the break. A 12-4 run by the Lady Colonels late in the second half helped put the Gaels away for good.

The swarming Eastern defense forced Iona into 30 turnovers. The Lady Colonels also capitalized on those turnovers, converting them into 19 points.

The Lady Colonels also out-rebounded Iona by a margin of 45-36. Senior Finley led Eastern with 13 boards.

Inman said he thought the team showed progress from the Memphis game, but still thought there was room for improvement.

"We have to take care of the ball better and we can't allow a team to grab 28 offensive rebounds. Our shooting and rebounding has to improve."

Larry Joe Inman,
Head coach

"We did a much better job rebounding and forcing turnovers, but we still didn't shoot the ball well. I'm still not completely satisfied, but overall, we did much better offensively and defensively tonight," Inman said.

Four Lady Colonels scored in double figures in the Iona game. Finley scored 19, Teresa McNair had 12, Zoey Artist tallied 10 and Laraya Wall scored 11.

Megan Cobb lead the Gaels in their losing effort with 28 points and 12 rebounds.

Eastern travels to Cincinnati this weekend for the Bearcat Classic.

Candice Finley puts a shot up over Bowling Green's defense, as Charlotte Sizemore looks on, on Nov. 21 at McBrayer Arena. The Colonels played in the Rice Invitational over the weekend. The Lady Colonels were beaten by Memphis but came back to pick up a win over Iona.



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Spates shines on track

Eastern star has family roots, inspired by grandmother

By JOHN HAYS
Assistant sports editor

When Myiesha Spates mentions Barbara Berry's name, her facial expressions radiate a mixture of happiness and respect. After all, Spates, a star member of Eastern's track team, said her grandmother is the driving force in her life.

"My grandmother is the main reason I'm here at Eastern," Spates said. "She always told me to go for my dreams and not to let anyone or anything stand in the way of those dreams. My grandmother is like a big sister to me. I can talk to her about any of my problems."

Spates, a junior and an East Chicago native, ran a cross-country trek before ending up at Eastern. She began her track career in Oakland, Calif., where she lived for eight years with her mother Kimberly Berry. But all the while, her heart was still in the mid-west and at the age of 12, Spates moved back to Indiana to attend high school and live with her grandmother.

"I ran on the 3-M track club in California in the seventh grade," Spates said. "But, I didn't like it out there, so I moved back to live with my grandmother."

Spates attended East Chicago Central where she was named to the Indiana First-Team All-State Track and Field Team in 1998 as a senior. That is where she caught the attention of Tim Moore.

Moore, an assistant track coach at Eastern, knew Spates had a special talent the first time he watched her compete.

"I first saw Myiesha in the Indiana State Track meet when she was a senior," Moore said. "She ran really well, and I was very impressed with her competitiveness."

Pates, who runs the 60 and 200 meter sprints, along with the relays, finished second in the state meets that year and left an impression on Moore.

"I knew Myiesha had the talent and was heavily recruited by other colleges," Moore said. "I'm just glad we talked her into coming to Eastern. She has really been a big asset to our program here."

However, if it were up to Spates, no one would know she was a member of the team, let alone one of its brightest stars. Speed may be her forte, but humility is her largest attribute. Spates feels more comfortable when the conversation shifts from her accomplishments to her family.

The fourth of seven children, Spates has five brothers and a sister. One brother, Dyshod Carter is a starting cornerback for the Kansas St. Wildcats and made an interception in last week's contest with No. 1 Oklahoma.

"I was the baby of the family and everyone kind of spoiled me," Spates said. "My family is very close and having five brothers really turned me into a tomboy."

However, Spates is especially proud of one accomplishment. She was chosen out of thousands of athletes to represent her country in a track meet in China when she was a junior at East Chicago High.

"I was honored to have spent two weeks competing in China," Spates said. "A committee selected members of regions from around the country and I was fortunate enough to be chosen. That is one of my fondest memories."

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Tim Moore,
Assistant track coach

A psychology major and a member of the Delta Sigma Theta sorority, Spates is as focused in the classroom as she is on the track. After graduating in May 2002, she hopes to obtain a master's degree in child psychology.

"I hope to attend California-Berkeley," Spates said. "I feel that during childhood, a person begins to mold into whatever individual he or she will become. I am really interested in that aspect of psychology."

Wise beyond her 20 years, this track star also has a firm grip on her own reality.

"I was always taught not to worry about what other people thought about me," Spates said. "If something makes you happy, go for it and don't worry about what others think."

And she said she feels that she will be successful at whatever she may try in life.

"I feel that a person can be whatever they want, if they set their mind to it," Spates said. "I feel that the future is wide open."



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Myiesha Spates is one of the brightest stars on Eastern's track team. Spates came to Eastern after living in California and Chicago. Spates will run in the Kentucky Speed meet Friday.

Eastern getting its Dollar's worth

By VICTOR PUENTE
Contributing writer

Eastern's men's basketball team has a young coaching staff this season. That's why Assistant Coach Chad Dollar, 27, was pleasantly surprised with the reception the administration has given him and fellow coaches.

"People look at a young staff different," Dollar said. "That hasn't been the case here. People look at us as professionals."

Dollar played high school basketball in Atlanta, at Douglas High School where his father, Don Dollar, is the fifth all-time winningest high school coach in the state's history.

Success in basketball seems to run in Dollar's family.

Dollar's brother, Cameron, played for the 1995 NCAA national champion UCLA Bruins and is now an assistant coach at Saint Louis University.

After high school, Dollar



Photo illustration/ Jessica Leake, Jessica Turner and Demetriace Moore

played for three seasons for the University of South Florida where he was named to the Sun Belt

Conference All-Freshman Team and went to two NCAA Tournaments. Dollar graduated

from Milligan College in 1995.

After graduation, Dollar spent two seasons at Gardner-Webb as an

he generates here, across the state and nationally will be a great

assistant coach and then a year at Southern Mississippi as assistant coach. He then moved on to Western Carolina University for two seasons before coming to Eastern.

Dollar came to Eastern to be a part of Travis Ford's new staff and for the atmosphere.

"I wanted to be around people who love basketball," Dollar said. "I really feel the excitement

experience."

Ford has complemented Dollar in the past for his knowledge with the coaching and recruiting process.

Outside of playing ability, Dollar said there are no specifics he looks for when recruiting.

"We just want good people, who will represent Coach Ford and Eastern well," Dollar said.

When asked about this year's crop of athletes, Dollar is quick to complement his team.

"They work hard, put out maximum effort and try to understand the system," Dollar said.

His plans for the future of Eastern's men's basketball are simple.

"We just want to go step by step, win ball games and improve everyday," Dollar said.

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I write to you for the last time as the sports editor — life is taking another turn.

When I began this job, almost a year ago, I decided that I would try to make sports real — more than just a simple game people play to pass time. I tried to look at the people who make the games happen and bring them into your lives so we can all get to know them. I hope I have done that.

I have been given many unique opportunities during my time at this wonderful newspaper. I have watched games from the sidelines. I have traveled many miles to cover games and get pictures — but more than anything I have met some very wonderful and beautiful people who have enriched my life.

I was given the opportunity to work with wonderful people like Dan McBride, Karl Park, Jeff Long, Rick Erdmann, Roy Kidd, Travis Ford (by the way, he is turning this basketball program around, don't bail out on him), Jim Ward and anyone I left out — I'm sorry.

Most of all, I have gotten to be very close to some of Eastern's finest student-athletes.

Tom Maybe is one of the nicest guys I have ever met. Anytime I had a question about Eastern football I called him first and he was always willing to help me in anyway he could. I hope Tom can stay healthy next season and be on the field when they carry Coach Roy Kidd off after getting that 300th victory.

John White is a pretty good basketball player but he is an outstanding man. From the very first time I met him he has done nothing but offer words of confidence to me and my staff. He deserves

every good thing that will ever happen for him.

THANK YOU

First and foremost, I thank God for taking care of me and those around me.

Secondly, I thank my mom, dad and brother — without them I would not be the person I am today and I must say, I like the person I have become. They have always offered encouragement and support for me in anything I have ever attempted. They are irreplaceable.

I thank Dr. Libby Fraas for taking a chance on me — it may not have always paid off, but I think it did more often than not.

I would be lost without my assistant sports editor, John Hays. John is one of the most unique and fascinating friends I have ever encountered. John will be leaving The Progress after this semester too, the Herald-Leader will be lucky to have you around.

To Dena, Jamie, Jamie, Andrew, Jennifer, Sha, Jess, Jessica, Devin, Dino — you have made some of those unbearable Tuesday nights a little easier to handle.

Thank you to all of those students who have given up some of their lives to go cover a game for me — without writers newspapers have no news.

This has been a very strange semester for me, within a month I lost my stepfather and grandmother. I have spent more time dealing with death in the last four weeks than I like to think about, but I have gained a new love for life, a thirst for something better than usual. And I would like to thank all the friends and professors from the Communication Department for giving me strong arms and soft hearts when I needed them.

A LITTLE ADVICE

Be active. This is the best advice I can offer anyone who still has time left at this university. Get involved in your department — be part of something bigger than you. Your life will be enriched more than you can imagine.

And last, but not least — thank YOU. YOU have made my life more beautiful than YOU can ever know. Adios.



JEREMY STEVENSON
Mental Focus



Demetrius Moore/Progress

Lavoris Jerry is one of three players from last year's team still playing for Eastern. Jerry is second on the team in scoring, with 13 points a game.

Jerry has traveled all over; sparkplug for Eastern squad

By ROBB JORDAN
Contributing writer

Not many people have traveled from Florida to California to Kentucky just to play basketball. But Lavoris Jerry followed that route.

"Lavoris gives us great leadership. We're relying on him to score some points for us this year," said Head Coach Travis Ford.

Jerry is one of only three returnees from last year's squad. And he has been one of its stars in the early going. He ranks second on the team in scoring with 13 points a game.

"He's improving every day," Ford said. "I think he can be one of the top players in the OVC."

Jerry's prowess on the court was evident prior to his arrival in Richmond. He averaged 15.2 points, 6.1 rebounds and 3.4 assists per game during his

sophomore season at Compton Community College in California.

"Lavoris is a very talented basketball player. He's very athletic," Ford said. "He can get out on the break and play our system really well."

Jerry came to Eastern under former Head Coach Scott Perry. However, he said he felt comfortable under Ford and decided to stay.

"I'm proud of our season so far. We've lost a couple games and we've played in some tight games. But it's just beginning," he said.

Colonel fans have plenty of high-flying action to look forward to with Jerry on the squad. Ford stated that since this is Jerry's last season, he needs to turn it up and play like there's no tomorrow. Jerry also expressed a never-say-die attitude.

"It's all about basketball," Jerry said.

Coaches, athletes make job great

As another semester comes to a close and everyone is getting ready for the round man in the red suit, I sit and think back on the what I have been blessed to have taken part in during the fall and ensuing winter months.

In August, I was privileged to meet a man who looms larger in real life than on the television screen.

Meeting Coach Roy Kidd at Media Day and kicking off the dreaded Drive for 300 wins was a dream come true. I recently sat down and chatted with Coach.

The conversation took place in the confines of his office while he watched films of high school seniors across the nation. He was sitting stoically behind his desk and, when I walked through the door, he put his busy schedule on hold just to sit and talk.

Not just football. About his life. And he even cared to listen to what I had to say about my future plans. And we talked of his brother Ray. You see, Ray has been diagnosed with lung cancer, and Coach was worried about his older brother, as anyone would be. As I left his office, we shook hands, exchanged holiday blessings and as we met eye to eye, I saw a part of this gargantuan man that few will ever see. Coach, our thoughts and prayers go out to you this holiday season, and thanks a lot for fulfilling a life-long dream.

As the media jinxed Kidd's drive for 300, I watched as three comrades that have played together since grade school ended their glorious careers here together. Waylon Chapman, Shorty Combs and Matthew Sharp are three fellows from my hometown of Jackson, Ky. Even though this season will be deemed a failure by many, I feel the exact opposite. I saw another aspect of the season. I watched as, time after time, Chapman

picked himself off the ground after being sacked time after time. I know the offensive line was not intact for most of the season, but for this young man to don his helmet week after week, knowing he was going to take the beating of his life, is what life is all about. Not just the game of football.

Watching in amazement as Combs, with a heart of a bear, limped on and off the gridiron with countless injuries (groin pulls, hip flexor tears, an injured arm) I watched as a young man from the mountains of Jackson transformed into a well-rounded, educated individual with all the class of the finest wines. And to watch as Sharp hauled in his first touchdown pass from his former high school teammate Chapman made me leap for joy. But no one leapt higher than his father, Marty, who has made an appearance at every game Matt has taken part in. And I mean every game.

FORD FEVER

As football season ended, basketball was right around the bend. Once again, legends were waiting right around the corner. Travis Ford, Jerry Pelphrey and John Brannen of the men's basketball team. Man, this place is going to be a launching pad for major college coaches when Ford turns this program around. He'll end up at UK before his career is through. I'd bet a \$100 against a doughnut on it. Coach Larry Joe Inman is another legend in waiting.

Track coach Rick Erdmann. Baseball coach Jim Ward. Always a smile and a handshake from the grand man with 900 wins.

And, oh yeah, The Progress. As I mentioned in a previous article, the guys here in the office are something else. Dr. Libby Fraas, my gratitude pours out to you. You are the ultimate editor. If you aren't prepared for the real world after working for Doc, man, you just haven't paid attention. Dena, Jamie V., Jen, Sha, Andrew, Jessica T., Jessica L., Jamie G., Dino, Devin, Catherine and my editor, Jeremy. Love you guys. Have a holly, jolly Christmas.



JOHN HAYS
Loose ends

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Exclusive Interview



Black Eyed Peas



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PERSONALITY PROFILE

The richest female CEO in the world runs the Internet's most startling success story—online auction site eBay.

Meg Whitman

By Michelle Silver

President and CEO of eBay

Most of us know about eBay—the online auction site with person-to-person trading—from the scandalous stories we've read about human kidneys and "souls" being bid on. Or perhaps you've been up until 3 a.m. bidding on a rare Parliament record. It's unlikely you've stopped to ask yourself who runs the company, but you should—because Meg Whitman is one of the only female CEOs of an e-commerce site.

When she assumed the role of CEO in March 1998, she was determined and excited about taking an idea that was pretty bizarre on paper and turning it into a serious profit-making site.

Why is the site so popular? "There are 57 million people [in the U.S.] who consider themselves collectors," claims Whitman. And even people who don't consider themselves collectors are easily addicted to the idea of beating someone in a bidding war over a rare videotape, a vintage wedding dress or original "Charlie's Angels" poster.

Whitman also claims that eBay is successful because it offers people a sense of community. "You can talk to the sellers and ask them questions, and you are bidding with real people who share a common passion." Of course, for some this breeds excitement; for others, headaches and hostility.

The proof is in the profits. Revenues of this San Jose, Calif.-based company increased from \$19.5 million in 1998 to \$45 million in 1999. eBay's market value is approximately \$14 billion today. On any given day, over 4 million auctions are taking place; 450,000 items are added to the site daily. There are more than 7 million registered eBay users. "I think we are one of the top four or five Internet companies today," Whitman says, "and I think we will be one of the top four or five 10 or 15 years from now."

Whitman herself is worth about \$1 billion, which means she can purchase all of the items she wants—whether it's a piece of antique jewelry or a \$5 snow dome. •

Age: 43

College: B.A. Economics, Princeton; M.B.A. Harvard Business School

Company value: \$14 billion market value

Family: Married to a brain surgeon; two sons, 11 and 14 years old

Business origins: Started at Procter & Gamble; has also worked at Bain & Co., Walt Disney, Hasbro and Stride Rite. Was CEO of FTD (Florists Transworld Delivery) from 1995-97

Current position: CEO of eBay since March 1998

Net worth: Approx. \$1 billion—the richest female CEO in the world

Thoughts on the Internet economy: "I think this is a revolution on the scale of the Industrial Revolution. It engendered hundreds and hundreds of new companies that ultimately became huge companies, and it engendered huge societal changes."

Company launch: On Labor Day, 1995—as a site for Pez dispenser collectors.

Favorite web site: Guess

Business philosophy: "I have this philosophy that you really need to do things 100 percent. Better to do five things at 100 percent than 10 things at 80 percent."

Favorite collectible: Burger King Mr. Potato Head

Necessary reading: *Built to Last: Successful Habits of Visionary Companies* by James C. Collins and Jerry I. Porras; and *Making the Cisco Connection: The Story Behind the Real Internet Superpower* by David Bunnell

Awards: One of *Glamour* magazine's Women of the Year; part of *Time*'s Digital Top 50 in 1999

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College: School of Visual Arts, NY, BFA in Computer Art 1997

Hobbies: Drag racing, playing music, random multi-exposure photography

First job: Stock boy at the Beer Hut—Ann Arbor, MI

Favorite web sites: lookriohands.com, sodaplay.com, amazon.com, heavy.com, volumeone.com

Current musical faves: Pizzicato 5, Beach Boys, Sergio Mendez, Talking Heads



Kathleen Beman Contributing Writer

Kathleen has written several articles for Steamtunnels, including one on fringe candidates for our politics issue. A California native, she's a regular columnist on SFGirl.com and posthoc.com, where she writes about San Francisco life and culture. She's also an editor on keen.com. Katie co-founded the Young Nonprofit Professionals Network (ynpn.org) and volunteers for a variety of organizations in the Bay Area. Not surprisingly, her nickname is Supergirl.

Hometown: Los Altos, Calif.

College: Stanford, B.A. in English and Feminist Studies '97, M.A. in English '98

Birthday: Valentine's Day

Hobbies: Running marathons, hip-hop dancing, playing the drums

Favorite web sites: hyperreal.org, yumpop.com, vivianlives.com, bolt.com, egreetings.com, chickclick.com, mapquest.com, expedia.com



On the Cover

Clockwise from right: Meg Whitman, CEO of eBay (© Associated Press AP); Black Eyed Peas (Photo by Sonya Koskoff); U2 (© 2000 Interscope Records, Inc., Photo by Anton Corbijn).

Going Once Going Twice Sold on Internet Auctions!

By Genevieve C. Rajewski

Last year millions of buyers and sellers got together on online auctions to trade wares—a phenomenon unthinkable even a few years ago. If you're interested in the auction phenomenon, here's a quick guide to get you started.

For Buyers

Understand how the auction works. Many online auctions simply list items that people want to sell; they don't verify the accuracy of what people say about them. So be your own cop and follow these tips:

• Check Out the Seller

Look at the auction site's feedback section for comments about the seller. (Be aware that glowing reports could be "planted" by the seller.) Get an address and phone number; don't do business with sellers who won't provide that info.

• Be Wary of Claims about Collectibles

Insist on a written statement describing the item and its value before you pay.

• Pay the Safest Way

Requesting cash is a clear sign of fraud. Although almost 80 percent of Internet transactions are done by check or money order, try to pay by credit card. Then you can dispute the charges if the goods never arrive. Or use an escrow agent who acts as a go-between, like iEscrow (iescrow.com). Agents protect both buyers and sellers by holding the money until the buyer confirms that the received product is genuine.

• Rip Offs

87 percent of all Internet fraud happens at auction sites; that said, only a small fraction of auction transactions are fraudulent. The National Consumers League also has some excellent advice for online auction users. You can read their tips at fraud.org/internet/inttip/aucttip.htm.

• Where Do I Shop?

Choosing a site is largely a matter of taste (see links at right). Check out Gomez Advisors (gomez.com), e-commerce analysts who rank auctions for bargain hunters, collectors and sellers according to the site's ease of use, customer-confidence level, on-site resources and relationship services.

For Sellers

• A Picture's Worth a Thousand Bucks

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(auctionaddict.com)—Easy to use—limited inventory.

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Bid.com (bid.com)—Specializes in electronic goods: computers, cameras and stereo equipment.

boxLot (boxlot.com)—Helps auctioneers price their collectibles and has a searchable bulletin board.

City Auction (utrade.com)—Excellent sporting goods section.

eBay (ebay.com)—While other auction sites are yard sales, eBay is like shopping at a mall.

eddeal (eddeal.com)—Easy to navigate—not every auction has a picture though.

eHammer (ehammer.com)—Specializes in antique collectibles.

First Auction (firstauction.com)—Has "quick auctions" that keep prices low.

Haggle Online (haggle.com)—Specializes in electronics.

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Up for adoption: homely little sock monkey. #149423276
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Steamtunnels' Games Reviewer Karen Zierler Picks the Best of the Year.

Baldur's Gate II: Shadows of Amn—BioWare/Interplay (<http://interplay.com>)

MDK2—Interplay—Humorous Action (<http://interplay.com>)

Combat Mission: Beyond Overlord—Strategy (<http://battlefront.com>)

PGA Championship Golf 2000—Sierra Sports (sierrasports.com)

NFS: Porsche Unleashed—Electronic Arts (ea.com)

NHL 2001—EA Sports (ea.com)

Metal Gear Solid—Konami (metalgear.com)

Star Trek Voyager: Elite Force—(shop.outpost.com)

Diablo II—Blizzard Entertainment—(blizzard.com/diablo2)

Homeworld and Homeworld: Cataclysm—Sierra Studios

(homeworld.sierra.com/cataclysm)

Enemy Engaged: Comanche vs. Ka-52 Hokum—Empire Interactive (UK)

(empire.co.uk/enemyengaged)

Jane's F/A-18 Simulator—Jane's Combat Simulations (shop.outpost.com)

Age of Empires 2 and AoE2: The Conqueror's Expansion—Microsoft

(microsoft.com/games/empires)

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Look Mom! No Hands!

Verizon Wireless has a commitment to accessories with safety in mind, especially during the holiday season. Anyone using



a mobile phone will benefit from the **SpeakEasy Headset**, adaptable to any phone with a 2.5mm universal jack. It's lightweight and comfortable to wear over your ear. The speaker rests outside of either ear for easy listening, while the boom microphone is near the mouth to optimize voice transmission. Using hands-free technology allows safe driving to be your first responsibility when you—or anyone in your family—are behind the wheel. (\$14.99, verizonwireless.com)

Chef of the Future

Bring the **Sharp Half Pint Microwave** to any kitchen—or dorm room—needing a 21st century facelift. The 13-inch cube design is available in a rainbow of translucent colors, sure to add a bright light to any kitchen. Offering 600 watts of cooking power, easy to use auto-touch controls and a glass turntable—it's perfect for small kitchens, home offices, moms, grandmas, aunts and anyone cooking a quick meal or re-heating leftovers in a hurry. (\$99, sharp-usa.com)



Stylus Savvy

For anyone on your list addicted to their Personal Digital Assistant (PDA), surprise them with a super smooth stylus and pen—the new **SENSA Minx**. Featuring SENSA's world renowned liquid Plasmium filled comfort grip, the "world's most comfortable Pen" is now available in petite size—perfect for purses, attaché cases or pockets. It also features a high impact resin stylus on the flip side for PDA screens. Complete with a leather case, this hot writing instrument is sure to impress friends and family members. (\$39.50, sensa.com)

Two in One

Balancing a TV, VCR and DVD player in one entertainment center isn't easy—but with **Philips DVD/VCR-combi**, you won't tip the scales. The DVD-Video player features an independent DVD player and Hi-Fi VCR all in one. Enjoy the new advances in DVD technology without having to toss all those VHS movies. This combination unit allows your family the perfect balance for the holidays. (\$319, philips.com) •

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Black Eyed Peas



Black Eyed Peas, the LA.-based hip hop group, consists of MCs Will.i.am, Apl.de.ap and Taboo. The group's first release, *Behind The Front* (Interscope), came out in 1998, and their second CD, *Bridging The Gap*, was released this fall. BEP recently headlined MTV's Campus Invasion tour, including a concert at Kent State. *Steamtunnels'* Campus Representative Mike Boich was able to get backstage and talk with the band.

STS: Is there an overriding theme behind your first and second albums, *Behind The Front* and *Bridging The Gap*?

BEP: The first album was a culmination of life and all of our experiences leading up to recording. The second is just the energy of touring and performing on stage

transferred to the album.

STS: Who are some of your musical influences?

BEP: Stevie Wonder, Portishead, Sade, Lovin' Spoonful, Stereolab, Native Tongue

STS: How was it working with DJ Premiere of Gang Starr [who produced a track on *Bridging The Gap*]?

Apl.de.ap: He was amazing to work with. I got to go in an hour before recording and watch him work.

STS: What do you think of the state of hip-hop today?

Will.i.am: Hip hop has gone through different states. It went through the "conscious state" with Public Enemy and groups like that. Right now there is only one form

of hip hop being exposed and it's corporate. We don't share the benefits of corporate hip hop—meaning radio play.

STS: How did you all meet?

Will.i.am: In 1992 me and Ap signed with Ruthless Records as a different group. Then we picked up Taboo in 1995 and went under the name Black Eyed Peas.

STS: What's coming up on your tour schedule?

BEP: In January we will be headlining a snowboarding tour called Snow Core. *

For more links to the bands reviewed on this page, go to steamtunnels.net and search using the band name as a keyword.

PJ Harvey

Stories from the City, Stories from the Sea (Island)



Since she emerged from the southwestern English town of Yeovil in 1991, Polly Jean Harvey has been a darling of the indie world. And no wonder: The primal force in her music puts the posturing of most post-grungers to shame. On her five previous full-length releases, she has investigated the fringes of punk, art-rock, folk and electronica. Until now her

most successful artistic statement was 1995's *To Bring You My Love*, a creepy, invigorating dip into a goth-blues-cabaret swamp. On *Stories from the City*, songs inspired by Harvey's recent residence in New York, we may just be hearing the real Peej. The arrangements are spare, with little of the electronic dabbling that distinguished 1998's *Is This Desire?* Even the furious "Kamikaze," which taps brilliantly into a drum 'n' bass groove, is played by "normal" instruments.

Radiohead's Thom Yorke is a guest vocalist on three tracks, most notably "This Mess We're In," a piece of quiet lamentation that suits him perfectly. But Harvey remains the focus, her powerful voice delivering words that, for once, aren't all dark and perturbed.

Stories' final track, "We Float," is dominated by an aching chorus that urges us to "take life as it comes." This album makes that a little easier to do. —Mac Randall

RECORD REVIEWS

U2

All That You Can't Leave Behind (Interscope)

U2 writes music that reflects their life situations: past albums have addressed angst

and rebellion, cynicism and disillusion, and pop star egotism. Their latest, *All That You Can't Leave Behind*, comes from a place of maturity and confidence. As the title suggests, they've returned to the sound that made them famous, leaving behind the gimmickry that cluttered recent releases.

The result is quality pop with subtle beauty and exuberant melodies.

U2's trademark is powerful chords and passion, used to advance political and religious messages. The band appears tired of shouting their ideas to strangers; here they whisper intimately to trusted friends. They give advice to their younger selves on both "Stuck in a Moment You Can't Get Out Of" and "Walk On," and apologize for not making more of a difference on "Peace on Earth." In the past they were angry and bitter about the world; here there is a sense of sadness.

Bono has called U2 the loudest folk band in the world, and here he pays homage to Irish folk rock on "Wild Honey," reminiscent of Van Morrison's "Brown Eyed Girl."

U2 has balanced their ideology with a combination of wisdom and realism. *All That You Can't Leave Behind* brings them back from rock star insanity with songs that are beautiful and ultimately happy. —Leah McCoy



Holiday Saving

By January Gill

Every year you start shopping for the holidays with the best intentions. Invariably, these good intentions end up in a last minute dash to the mall that stretches your credit cards to the max. Stay out of debt this season and start January 2001 with money in your pocket.

Nine Tips to Make Shopping Easier

- 1. Shop early.** This may be the best defense against overspending. Try to do your shopping in one day, the earlier the better. No class on Fridays? What better way spend the day than a shopping excursion while everyone else is working the 9 to 5 grind?
- 2. Shop online.** Sites like Amazon.com or [Urban Outfitters \(urban.com\)](http://UrbanOutfitters.com) make it easy for you to purchase inexpensive items quickly. To save time rather than money, shop at the online version of your favorite

retailer. Big stores with sites like the Gap (gap.com), J. Crew (jcrew.com) and Abercrombie & Fitch (abercrombie.com) can ship items for you at the last minute.

3. To make sure your shopping is glitch free, look carefully at return policies. BestBuy.com advertises that items bought online can be returned to any Best Buy store. BarnesandNoble.com will unconditionally accept returns of gifts within 30 days after they are received.

4. Make a list and check it twice. Create a list of friends and relatives you'd like to buy presents for. Stick to your list, and you'll have a better chance of sticking to your budget as well. You don't have to buy an expensive sweater for your Dad just to show how much you love him.

5. Stick to a budget. Remember to budget for decorations, holiday get-

togethers and all the extras that come up at the last minute.

6. Need help creating a budget? Bankrate.com has a Holiday Spending Worksheet (bankrate.com/brm/calc/holidayspending.asp) available so you can keep your spending under control.

7. Leave the credit cards at home! Credit cards and the holidays are a bad combination. Store card's interest rates are often in excess of 20%. Pay in cash. No exceptions!

8. Give time rather than money. Make this the year that you "do unto others." The Independent Sector's Nonprofit Pathfinder (independentsector.org) makes it easy for students to get information about nonprofit organizations.

9. Don't give anything at all. Many of your friends are saving for their first car, or spring break, or paying off their student loans. Make a pact not to buy presents for each other. It will force you to be more creative. Some of the most memorable traditions are born out of our necessity. Remember that the holidays are about more than just how much we can buy. •

Getting Personal

By Shani B. Fisher

With a little extra thought you can be sure your friends and family will remember the gifts you buy them long after the snow has melted—if you personalize them. Allow me, your personal shopper, to walk you through the top sites in personalized gifts for the holidays.

If the shoe fits...

Run, don't walk, to custom build a pair of sneakers on Nikeid.com where you can choose the shoe that suits your best pal's style. After selecting the colors and body of the shoe, the coolest part is creating a custom label



with up to 8 letters and numbers for the back of the sneaker. Step back and inspect the goods using the 6 different viewpoint options. In two to three weeks your custom

sneaker will be ready for wrapping paper. Even if you wait until the last minute, print out the final design and let your loved one know the shoes are on their way.

It's a Barbie World

Personalize a Barbie for a friend, or get a gift for your kid sister that she'll never let out of her sight. At the Barbie.com My Design™ web site, you can customize your own Barbie doll with a unique look, eye color and hair style complete with your choice of fashion and accessories. Put her in an outfit of your choice and even choose her personality, hobbies and favorite activities. Print out a photo while you wait three to four weeks for your doll to arrive, or have her shipped directly to the gift recipient. This will only set you back \$39.95 (plus \$7.95 shipping and handling). Or get your kid sister a gift certificate and let her navigate on her own.

"So many shooz to chooz"

From a bunch of former Nike and Adidas employees, you'll find your "solemate" online at Customatix.com, where wearing your own shoe designs around is trendy and fabulously comfortable. Make a one-of-

a-kind pair of running sneakers, skateboard sneaks or desert boots—personalizing more than 16 different zones on the shoe—you're bound to find one that's right for mom, dad, sis and bro!

Customize the ID with a secret message, up to 7 letters on each foot.

Say Cheese!

Capture the moment with Printlife.com's Photobook™—a keepsake book that can be enjoyed for years to come. Choose the layout and the background, and create captions after you upload your digital photos. In three days you can have a customized book for only \$24.99. •



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FIRST TIME BUYER'S GUIDE

Lap

Make your friends jealous. By Douglas Desmond

Laptop computers used to be bulky and underpowered—portable in name only, not really practical. But in the past three years laptops have come of age, matching their desktop counterparts in power and features, while growing slimmer and lighter every year. Choices in the Mac world are limited to the classy G3/G4 line, and the iBooks. PC laptops are usually boring boxes, but a few models have interesting designs.

Two of the coolest laptops out today are Apple's iBook, which extends the sleek iMac styling to the portable world, and Sony's Vaio line of ultra-thin notebooks. The iBook has a distinctive "clamshell" case, which comes in a variety of colors—choose from the pleasing blueberry or the attention-grabbing lime, among others. The screen is only 12.1 inches (measured diagonally), which is less than its competitors, but is good enough for day-to-day use (by comparison, the iMac's screen is 15 inches). The iBook uses G3 chips instead of the faster G4s that appear in Apple's higher-end machines, but that's fine unless you need the extra horsepower.



Sony laptops are a different story. They are only an inch thick, and weigh under four pounds. However, this small package conceals a lot: the Vaio's screen can be either 14 or 15 inches, and will take up to a 750 MHz Pentium III. It comes with a DVD drive so that you can listen to CDs and watch movies. Vaio's start at around \$1,700 (sony.com).

Cool Tools

Stylish laptops don't come cheap, but you can jazz up any notebook computer with cool add-ons and peripherals. One of the most effective is the humble mouse, which can really help out if you hate trackpads. Apple's Pro Mouse (\$59; apple.com) and Microsoft's Intellimouse (\$24.95; microsoft.com) are

two of the best. They employ optical sensor technology to work on any surface. If you plan on actually taking your laptop places, this can be very convenient since

anything reasonably flat can be used as a mousepad—your jeans, a textbook, whatever.

Another great way to upgrade is with a DVD drive. Most laptops have a DVD drive, but if you don't, you can add one. The Sony DVDRW-U01 is a good example.



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add a wireless port to turn it into a wireless laptop. In addition to listening to CDs and watching DVDs. A good place to start looking is dvd.com. Prices start at under \$150.

Almost every laptop sold today comes with ethernet ports so that you can connect to your school's network. But

what if you want to ditch the wires and surf the Net from your bed? Or the middle of the quad? That's what laptops were made

for, right? Well, Apple has kindly provided a solution with the Airport (\$299; apple.com). The Airport transmitter plugs into your network, and provides up to 150 feet of wireless networking to any Mac with the Airport card installed (\$99). Ten users can connect to one base station at the same time.

If you really want to travel with your laptop—not 150 feet, more like around the world—something sturdier is in order. Try Pelican Mobile (pelicanmobile.com), which supplies laptops to the military and to the police. These guys mean business. A shock-mounted hard-drive is protected by a magnesium outer shell, and

you can use it in 4" of rain per hour or at altitudes of 15,000 feet. It will withstand drops, bumps

and extreme temperatures. And if you can't afford the military-grade laptop, you can still get a good one for a fraction of the price.

To learn more about buying a laptop, visit our chart, go to steamtunnels.net and search for keyword "laptop."

SITE REVIEWS

visit steamtunnels.net for links to all these sites and more.

SPECIAL FEATURE

Holiday Shopping 101

The sites, and the gifts, for everyone on your list.

By Yasmin Tabi

It's time to get some presents for everyone in your family. And for your friends. And for your boy/girl friend/other. And, for some of you, sadly, your pets. But don't panic: *Steamtunnels* is going to make it easy for you. We'll give you site after site for every kind of gift, and maybe you can find something for your poor self when you're done. Just boot up your machine and follow the mouse.

For the prepubescent siblings who can't get enough of your stuff, your clothes and your tunes, check out shopping.yahoo.com/music for some nighttime tunes, so that they pay more attention to their own stereo than to your private time. If you've got a couple of teens to buy for, try sites like

crutchfieldelectronics.com (digital cameras, DVDs), old navy.com for cheap clothes, chickclick.com for girlie shopping sprees or giftcertificates.com if you can't think of anything else for your

brothas and sistas. Music is the way to go for the Gen-X kids as well, so why not check out artistdirect.com, a site that ships within three days, or barnesandnoble.com, a slightly cheaper but more time consuming site.

Astralwerks.com, the site that houses artists like Basement Jaxx, Fatboy Slim, Photek and many others, provides pre-ordering, pictures, show reviews, and even tells you if the album has explicit lyrics (if you don't want little Johnny hearing Fatboy's mouth).

If you have superlative people in your life, try buying them a spa or rental pass. Most mountain resorts will allow

you this luxury. For resorts out west, try ski-copper.com and jacksonhole.com. Vermont is pretty popular for east coast winter vacations, so try sugarbush.com and okemo.com for their season pass rates and purchasing.



Remember when you used to draw a flower on paper and give it to your parents as a token of your impoverished love? You can't do that anymore. Parents and non-nuclear family members are always more difficult to get presents for, because now you can't just draw a picture and expect that they'll love your effortless artwork. You're too old for that. You could go to lyricsh.com for great songs describing your feelings. But then, you didn't write it. Try Towerrecords.com for all sorts of music, videos or books. Tower will even list a store near you if you want to actually read the book on philosophy before you give it to pops, who, inevitably, will want to talk to you about it.

For the lady of the home, try women.com, where you can get subscriptions from *Cosmopolitan* to *Good Housekeeping*, baby clothes or dishes, and even find some spa treatments.

Some of you are all about waiting until the last minute to buy gifts. That's OK because thanks to giftideacenter.com, you can find inspiration easily online. This site divides up your gift giving into holidays, birthdays and other occasions. Now you can sit back and party the night before any occasion, and the next morning you'll breathe a big sigh of relief when you realize you don't have to head to the mall. *



STUDY AIDS

Measure 4 Measure

www.wolinskyweb.com/measure.htm

If you're tired of figuring out equations or unit conversions for yourself, this site literally has the answer. Aimed as much at scientists as mathematicians, it is a list of links to sites that solve problems. If only you could use it during the final exam!

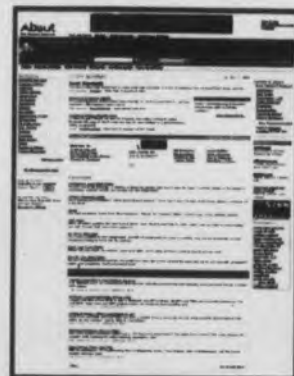
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Freelancing

www.freelancewrite.about.com/careers/freelancewrite

This is a useful site for anyone interested in freelance writing. You'll find information about contracts, fees and style guides. There are numerous job postings for freelancers (new and experienced) interested in writing about music, business, parenting, sex, weddings, beauty, health, sports and much more. All contacts listed give their payment amount as well as their email address and (if applicable) web site. Some are for online jobs, others are for printed publications. If you want to earn some extra cash or get a few bylines, this is the place to start.

Content: A Usability: A-



The Online Biology Book

gened.emc.maricopa.edu/bio/bio181/BIOBK/BioBookTOC.html

If you're flailing in freshman bio, or just need help with a species classification problem, The Online Biology Book can help (despite its long URL!). It's the equivalent of a freshman bio textbook, created from the class notes of a biology professor. There are chapters covering all major topics, plus links to further resources at the bottom of each page.

Content: A- Usability: A

SITE REVIEWS

PhysLink

PhysLink.com

Physicist and astronomer alike will find this site useful, with news related to commercial and academic research, commonly needed physics info, and lots more. For physics majors, there is advice about grad schools and physics-related jobs listings.

Content: **B+** Usability: **A-**

CURRENT AFFAIRS

Intellectual Capital

IntellectualCapital.com

One of the best sites on the web for current affairs, Intellectual Capital collects writing from prominent pundits like Pete du Pont and Leon Panetta. The site updates every Monday, focusing on two or three issues of general concern like health care or the defense budget, with writing that's probably more perceptive than you'll find in your local paper's editorial page.

Content: **B+** Usability: **A-**



Blue Ear

blueear.com

The site bills itself as "Global writing worth reading," and focuses on international issues and culture. With articles by foreign journalists and other writers from all over the world, it's the perfect site for students with an international outlook as well as journalism majors. There are also good book reviews covering a variety of topics.

Content: **B+** Usability: **B+**

OneNetNow

onenetnow.com

This well-designed community for minority users provides writing, chat rooms, message boards, search engines, email, web hosting and online tech support. The site lets members discuss anything from R&B to representation in government to the role of faith in minority communities. They have a diverse group of in-house writers who produce original content for reading and discussion. OneNetNow also offers online publishing

tools that allow members to publish their newsletters, complete with graphics and audio and video support.

Content: **B+** Ease of Use: **A-**



FOR FUN

The Force

theforce.net

Anyone who loves—or even likes—*Star Wars* should warp over to theforce.net, an incredibly large and well-maintained site about the *Star Wars* universe. From daily updates on the filming of Episode 2, to in-depth explanations of the Imperial officers' rank insignia to fun parodies, this site has it and more. There is a depth of content here that few sites can boast, although you have to wonder about how obsessive the people who run it must be.

Content: **A** Usability: **B+**

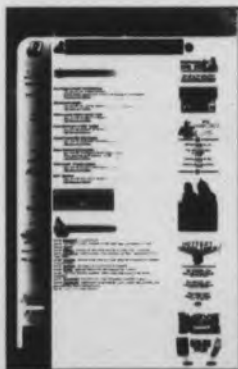
EX: Online World of Anime and Manga

ex.org

EX is an online magazine about Japanese animation and manga (comics). It extensively covers anime in both in Japan and North America.

Despite long intermissions between issues—every six weeks or longer—EX is filled with well written reviews and features. The writers are precise and knowledgeable in their articles and suggestions; EX also keeps a listing of anime and manga events. However, it does not sell the products they review.

Content: **A-** Usability: **B**



MONEY & BUSINESS

Datashimp

datashimp.com

Datashimp is a simple but informative site about the world of investment. Suited for the novice investor, it includes detailed tutorials on topics like investment risk and reward, and understanding the Roth IRA. The tutorials lead you step-by-step with ample illustrations and interactive demonstrations that are almost too informative.

Content: **B-** Usability: **A**

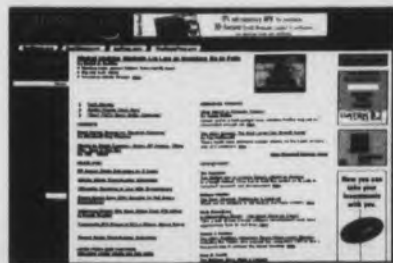
Editor's Pick

TheStreet

thestreet.com

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Content: **A** Usability: **A**



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